

# RELATIONSHIP GOALS



**Relationship Goals - Part 3 - The Why of God's Way**  
**Pastor Mark Rouse - Sunday, February 16**

<sup>4</sup> "Haven't you read," Jesus replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' <sup>5</sup> and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? <sup>6</sup> So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." - Matthew 19:4-6

- **God CREATED sex.**
- **God calls sex GOOD.**
- **God considers sex HOLY.**

Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure... - Hebrews 13:4

## **WALKING IN GOD'S WAY**

### **1) Choose to honor God with MY BODY.**

The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. - 1 Corinthians 6:13

Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body. - 1 Corinthians 6:18

<sup>19</sup> Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, <sup>20</sup> for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body. - 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

### **2) Take back control of MY THOUGHTS.**

Be careful how you think; your life is shaped by your thoughts.  
- Proverbs 4:23

(Jesus) <sup>27</sup> You have heard the commandment that says, 'You must not commit adultery.' <sup>28</sup> But I say, anyone who even looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. - Matthew 5:27:28

### **3) Allow God to MAKE ME NEW.**

"Come now, let's settle this," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, I will make them as white as wool. - Isaiah 1:18