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- When did unrealistic expectations first surface in your marriage, and how has God used that to grow you?

## **Love Is Longsuffering**

- What specific habits, weaknesses, or differences in your spouse most test your patience? Why do they trigger you?
- How does remembering God’s patience toward you change the way you respond when your spouse sins against or disappoints you?
- Do you tend to avoid confrontation or rush into it? How can you pursue loving, humble correction when necessary?
- In what area of your marriage right now (communication, intimacy, finances, parenting, in-laws, time, transitions) do you most need to practice longsuffering love?

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