



GUIDED BIBLE STUDY

A Christ-Centered Marriage

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Highlighted Scripture

Ecclesiastes 4:12

“Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.”

Ephesians 5:25

“Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her.”

1 Corinthians 13:4–5

“Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way... it keeps no record of wrongs.”

Discussion Questions

- 1. What does it mean to have Christ at the center of a marriage?**
- 2. How does viewing marriage as a covenant rather than a contract change the way we approach it?**
- 3. What does sacrificial love look like in everyday married life?**
- 4. Why are humility and forgiveness essential in a healthy marriage?**
- 5. How can a couple practically “chase God together”?**

Reflection Challenge

Whether you're married or not, reflect on how you approach relationships.

Ask yourself:

- **Do I expect others to meet needs that only God can fulfill?**
- **Am I quick to forgive, or do I keep a record of wrongs?**
- **Am I serving others with humility or operating from pride?**

If you are married, try this:

Pray together, even briefly, each day this week

Choose one intentional act of sacrificial love for your spouse

Practice quick forgiveness instead of holding onto frustration

Remember:

Strong relationships are built with God at the center

Love is demonstrated through daily actions, not just feelings

Forgiveness restores what pride tries to divide

God uses relationships to shape and grow us

Prayer

Father God,

Thank You for the gift of relationships and the design You have given for marriage.

Teach us to love with patience, humility, and grace.

Help us to forgive quickly and serve one another selflessly.

Be the center of our lives and our homes, guiding us in all we do.

In Jesus' name,

Amen.

