

Digging Deeper, Genesis 2:24

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Defining Marriage

Day 1: Understanding Genesis 2:24

Scripture: Genesis 2:24

"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh."

Questions:

1. What is the context of verse 24 within Genesis chapter 2?
2. What does "leave" and "be joined" mean in the context of marriage?

Reflection and Prayer:

Pray for understanding and wisdom in grasping the full meaning of the verse.

Day 2: The Concept of Leaving and Cleaving

Additional Reading:

Ephesians 5:31-33

Questions:

1. What is the cultural and historical background associated with leaving and cleaving?
2. How does this apply in today's context?

Reflection and Prayer:

Journal or think about how leaving and cleaving is significant in your own relationship.

Day 3: Becoming One Flesh

Additional Reading:

Mark 10:6-9

Questions:

1. What are the spiritual aspects of becoming one flesh?
2. What are the physical aspects of becoming one flesh?
3. What does it mean to you to become one flesh in marriage?

Day 4: The Symbolism of Marriage

Additional Reading:

Ephesians 5:22-30

Questions:

1. What are some parallels between marital union and Christ's relationship with the Church?
2. How can understanding this relationship deepen your view of marriage?

Reflection and Prayer:

Pray for your marriage (or future marriage) to reflect the relationship between Christ and the Church.

Day 5: Practical Applications

Additional Reading:

Colossians 3:18-19

Questions:

1. What are some practical ways to live out leaving, cleaving, and oneness principles?
2. What are some areas in your life where these principles need more attention?
3. What are some goals you could set to put these principles in action in your relationship?

Reflection and Prayer:

Pray God reveals any areas in your life that may need more attention and ask for His guidance to change.

Day 6: Reflection and Commitment

Additional Reading:

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Reflection and Prayer:

Reflect on the study and its impact on your understanding of marriage. Write a personal commitment to apply the lessons learned. Pray for strength, guidance, and commitment to live out the principles of Genesis 2:24 in your life.