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## **When Love Disagrees: Sex & Marriage**

Tony Murrow – March 5, 2023  
*Small Group Discussion Questions*

### **Getting Started**

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion.  
Expect God to move through your time together!

### **Pacing Your Group**

Move quickly through “observation” leaving enough time for “reflection”, “discussion”, and “surrender.”

### **Scripture Reading**

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

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### **Observation: *What does this scripture passage say?***

**Take some time to look up and read:** *Genesis 2:24, Matthew 5:27-28, 1 Corinthians 6:18-20*

1. What do these verses teach us about marriage, unity, and sex?

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### **Reflection and Discussion: *What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures?***

**How do the scriptures connect to everyday life.**

2. What cultural lies and messaging loudly contradict God’s design for marriage, intimacy, and sex?
3. If you grew up in church, what did you learn from church about sex?
4. God created human sexuality to represent and draw us into His covenant love. Theologian Tim Keller defines covenant as, “the solemn, permanent, whole self, giving of two parties to each other. It is a stunning blend of both law and love. A relationship much more intimate and loving than a mere legal contract could create, yet more enduring and binding than a personal affection alone could make”.
  - How is sex an image of the “oneness” of God?
  - How is marriage an image of God’s covenant love for His people?
  - How does this definition of covenant align with the perspectives of our culture on marriage and sex?
5. What are some ways to cultivate faithfulness, intimacy, and self-giving love more deeply for single people? For married people?

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### **Surrender: *Responding to God’s voice.***

6. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?  
**\*\* Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today \*\***

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**We’re here!**

We would love to hear about how things are going in your life group!  
Reach out any time with questions, ideas, thoughts, or concerns.

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A primary resource in compiling these questions has been the *NIV Life Application Study Bible* (Zondervan, 1984)