## ~ READ TEXT ~

### AS YOU SETTLE IN...

- Turn to the book of (Song of Solomon 2:2-7).

## ~ LET'S PRAY ~

#### NOTE TAKERS...

- I've titled today's message: "Building Blocks"

## ~ *INTRO* ~

### LAST WEEK...

- We learned the practical precautions to take...
  - ➤ Before pursuing a dating relationship

#### NOW TONIGHT...

- Chapter two covers the <u>dating period</u>...
  - ➤ And we're going to see the tools to use & steps to take...
    - o For success on a practically-level.

# **\*Warning: There will be mature adult content discussed two times.**

- No one under 18-years old is permitted in tonight's study.

# ~ *STUDY* ~

## NOW IN (vv.2 & 3)...

- The man... meets the woman's need...
  - ➤ And the woman meets the man's need!

# The woman <u>needs LOVE</u>...

- And the man <u>needs RESPECT</u>!

#### THESE ARE TWO FACTS...

- Hardwired into our make-up as humans.
  - > To ignore this truth is to bring disaster upon marital...
    - OR dating relationships!
  - This truth never goes away no matter how old the relationship is!

## (v.2)

### SOLOMON...

- Had a fond affection toward the Shulamite Woman...
  - ➤ Which he expressed as "Trusting Love"
- He acknowledged how special she was = "a lily among thorns"
  - > She was sweet / delicate / & beautiful.

### MEN...

- We would do well to give our woman regular compliments...
  - ➤ On her beauty & NOT a negative comparison!

#### IF WE DO THIS WELL...

- Here's the result.

## (v.3)

- The woman RESPECTED her man...
  - > She didn't belittle him...
    - She didn't compare him to others...
      - She didn't express disappointment...
        - She didn't nag him!

## AS IT'S SAID...

- "A woman is like a rose... if you treat her right she'll blossom."

### THIS IS REAL-TIME FEED BACK TO HOW YOUR DOING GUYS!

- She honored him (a.k.a = respect)...
  - ➤ He was special = "apple tree"
  - ➤ She delighted in what he provided "shade"
  - ➤ And she was totally satisfied with him "sweet fruit"

## SIDE NOTE:

#### GENTLEMAN...

- If you're emotionally insecure about who you are...
  - ➤ Take it to God & get over it!!!

- You are who you are by the GRACE of God.
  - > Stand in the strength God has given you & go forward!

## (v.4)

## AS LOVE & RESPECT GROWS...

- It spills out in public honor...
  - Kind acts / expressions of affection / & celebration!

### GUYS...

- Treat your woman to special events...
  - ➤ Go on regular dates / dinners / movies / have conversation / etc.

(Ladies: It's OK for you... to plan special events also!)

#### WHEN WE FUNCTION...

- The way God has designed us...
  - ➤ Look what it creates.

## (vv.5-7)

## THOUGHTS & EMOTIONS...

- Overflowing with sexual desire!
  - 1) Desire (v.5) Example: (1-Chronicles 16:3)
  - 2) The fantasy of foreplay (v.6)

# THE (NET) [New English Translation] SAYS...

- "Stimulates me"
  - ➤ This word is rare, but it carries sexual connotation (Prov. 5:20).
    - o (David Guzik refers to this in his commentary.)

### GANG...

- I want to speak to you as <u>mature adults</u> around this subject of sex...
  - ➤ Because there's so many marital problems that can be healed...
    - Very simply by the gift of God!

# FIRST... LET ME GIVE A BOOK RECOMMENDATION...

- To anyone married OR in the premarital phase:
  - ➤ "The Act of Marriage The beauty of sexual love" by Tim Lahaye

## ON PAGES (103-106)...

- He writes about simultaneous orgasms... (between husband & wife).
  - ➤ This a Christian Author & this book is tastefully done!

### YET HE WRITES...

- Very graphically about the importance of...
  - ➤ Caressing the vagina with the hand/finger.
    - Ref. (Human Bonding step #11)

## GOD HAS MADE THE WOMAN A SLOW COOKER...

- It takes a little time <u>for her water to boil</u> if you will.
  - ➤ And the sign for intercourse is NOT...
    - Lubrication of the vagina.
- Rather the sign to advance from foreplay...
  - ➤ Into mutually beneficial sex, resulting in simultaneous orgasm...
    - o Between husband & wife...
    - Is when the woman's Labia Minor (a.k.a vagina lips)...
      - Are heavily swollen with blood.

### HERE'S WHY THIS IS IMPORTANT...

- Man & woman orgasms are created by God (not shameful)...
  - > For enhancing bonding...
  - ➤ Reducing stress...
  - ➤ And resetting all the emotional struggles...
    - o Husbands & wives generate between each other.

#### IT'S IMPORTANT...

- That we <u>learn God's ways</u> on how to operate sex inside marriage!
  - ➤ It's the greatest gift ever!

#### HOWEVER...

- Many couples struggle to figure it out...
  - ➤ And turn to trashy methods & exploration...
    - Which tarnish the blessings of God (Heb. 13:4).

## LEARNING HOW TO BOIL THE WOMAN'S WATER...

- Is NOT pornographic...
  - ➤ But some instruction is necessary (guys) & (gals)!

- ➤ All of which requires: Love / Respect / & Trust.
  - So get this book & read it before we get to (Chapter #4).

## ~ IN CLOSING ~

## LET ME ADDRESS (v.7)...

- Which covers the opposite side sexual indulgence =  $\underbrace{\mathbf{Restraint.}}$ 

#### THIS YOUNG WOMAN...

- Talked to her friends about her thoughts = (accountability).
  - > Yet, she also stood as an example...
    - o Of NOT surrendering her sexual purity...
      - Before marital commitment!

## FLIP TO (1 Cor. 7:1)

- "*Touch*" = Grk. (*Hop-toe-mi*)

## IN 2017 WE COULD USE THE WORD "Petting"...

- Meaning to rub or press against in such a way as to kindle a fire.

## IN (v.6)...

- The Shulamite Woman had the thoughts of foreplay...
  - ➤ Where Solomon would "embrace" OR "stimulate [her]" (NET).
    - But she recognized (v.7)...
      - That she could NOT pursue this desire just yet!

## FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE SINGLE OR DATING...

- Be accountable to someone in your life...
  - ➤ So you can be strengthened to stay pure until married!

## I HOPE THESE SIMPLE TOOLS WILL HELP YOU...

- Successfully navigate finding a spouse God's way!

#### FOR THOSE THAT ARE MARRIED...

- I pray the embers of love are sparked into a fresh romance...
  - ➤ With your spouse & you can press the "Reset-Button" frequently!

## ~ LET'S PRAY ~