## One Flesh, One Faith—A Blueprint for Purposeful Marriage I. \_\_\_\_\_ UNITY (Ephesians 5:22–27) A. \_\_\_\_\_ must be at the Center of Marriage B. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ are Acts of Worship II. \_\_\_\_\_ UNITY (Ephesians 5:28–33) A. \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ Each Other B. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ are Tools of Unity III. UNITY (1 Corinthians 7:1–5) A. \_\_\_\_\_ is God's Gift for Mutual \_\_\_\_\_ B. The "One Flesh" Union in \_\_\_\_\_ Terms IV. THE OF UNITY • \_\_\_\_\_("My needs first") \_\_\_\_\_("We'll work on it later") • ("I remember what you did") Upcoming **Please Note** • Aug 31st – Light Bearers Meeting (any/all welcome) • Adult Sunday School – 9am – Rm 205 • Aug 31st – Security Team Qualifications (after service) • Sunday Prayer – 10am – Rm 202 • Sept 11th – Board Meeting • Men's Group – Fridays – 7-9pm • Sept 14th – Back To Church Sunday!! • Sept 16th – "The Place" begins

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• Oct 1st – "Light Bearers" begins

## **Group Questions**

- 1. Am I committed to living out a biblical marriage <u>whatever</u> it takes? (you should answer this for yourself personally and honestly)
- 2. How can we make Christ the center of our marriage this week?
- 3. In what ways can we serve one another as an act of worship?
- 4. What does "nourishing and cherishing" each other look like in our daily life?
- 5. Are there small acts of encouragement we've been neglecting?
- 6. Are we prioritizing intimacy, affection, and connection?
- 7. How can we communicate our needs in a loving, safe way?
- 8. What selfish habits or unresolved conflicts do we need to address?
- 9. How can forgiveness and service become a daily practice in our marriage?
- 10. Who is a "safe" person I can discuss my marriage with? Do I have a "safe" space for these discussions?

## **Unity Challenges**

- 1. **Spiritual**: Pray together for 5 minutes about your marriage.
- 2. **Emotional**: Write a short note or text affirming something you love about your spouse.
- 3. **Physical**: Give a loving touch—back-rub, holding hands, hug, or kiss.
- 4. **Spiritual**: Read a Bible passage together and discuss how they apply to you personally. (Eph 5:22-33; 1 Cor 7:1-5)
- 5. **Emotional**: Ask your spouse how their day really went, and listen without interrupting.
- 6. **Physical**: Plan a small, intimate date—coffee, walk, or shared hobby.
- 7. **Reflection**: Discuss what you learned this week and pray for continued growth.
  - \*If you need marital discipleship do not be ashamed, seek it out!!