



Morning Services of Divine Worship – June 15, 2025

"Christ-Centered Marriages and Families"

Ephesians 3:14–16, 5:1–2, 25–28

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1. Marriage is a covenant, not a contract
 - The covenant of marriage echoes the covenants of God
2. God the Father ordained families and fatherhood
3. The love of marriage is uniquely romantic and exclusive, yet all love echoes the way of Jesus
4. The love of Jesus is...
 - Faithful
 - Wise
 - Generous
 - Patient
 - Sacrificial

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR GROUPS:

1. What do people mean when they say “Marriage is a contract”? When they say “Marriage is a covenant”?
2. Review Ephesians 4:32-5:2; What does Paul say about the way disciples should imitate Jesus?
3. Review the faithfulness, patience, wisdom, sacrifice, and generosity of Jesus, as described in the gospels. How can we live that way in our marriages?
4. Was your father terrific, reasonably good, or deeply flawed? How can you give thanks for your father? For the men who were fatherly to you?