OUR IMPERFECT FAMILY (GETTING REAL ABOUT THE HEALTH OF YOUR HOME) The Question That Leads to an Intimate Relationship

6-13-21

Proverbs 24:3-4 - By <u>wisdom</u> a house is built, and through <u>understanding</u> it is established; ⁴ through <u>knowledge</u> its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures.

* Covenant vs. Consumer _____

Genesis 2:24 - Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall <u>cleave</u> unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. KJV

<u>**Cleave</u>**: Means to be glued to someone through a covenant, a binding promise or an oath.</u>

- A _____ relationship is a relationship that is based on a promise.
- A _____ relationship is relationship that is based on what is good for me and my needs being met.

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1. Jesus had a lot to say about the subject of ______

Mark 12:30-31 - Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹ The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these.''

2. Ephesians 5:22 is important because it's an application given to women of a mandate given to all of us. Paul is drawing from the teachings of Jesus and applying them to family. This is actually an overarching principle to which we are all accountable, and this is just one single application.

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Ephesians 5:22, 25, 6:1 - Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord... ²⁵ <u>Husbands</u>, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her...^{6:1} <u>Children</u>, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

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4. Here's the question I should ______: What can _____ do to help?

5. What stops us from asking that question? _____ of my needs not being met.

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• The key to a great marriage is ______ submission.

Romans 5:6-8 - For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. NASU

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Practical steps:

- 1. <u>Ask</u> for forgiveness if you have been committed to a consumer relationship.
- 2. Commit to a **<u>covenant</u>** relationship.
- 3. Commit your <u>marriage</u> to Jesus.