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LIVING OUT OUR CHRISTIANITY WITH AN ATTITUDE

COLOSSIANS CHAPTER 1:9-14

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

**BEING A CHRISTIAN
IN YOUR HOME – PART 2**

*A SERIES ON DEVELOPING A PRACTICAL AND EFFECTIVE WALK
WITH GOD AT ALL TIMES AND IN ALL SITUATIONS*

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Workplace, Discipleship, Witness, Faithfulness

Introduction to the Text;

Colossians 1:9-14

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For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be **filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding**; :10 that you may **walk worthy of the Lord**, fully pleasing *Him*, **being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God**; :11 strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy; :12 **giving thanks to the Father** who has **qualified us** to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. :13 He has delivered us **from the power of darkness** and **conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love**, :14 in whom we have **redemption** through His blood, even the **forgiveness** of sins.

LAST TIME TOGETHER WE LOOKED AT...

BEING A CHRISTIAN IN YOUR HOME

1.) What is marriage?

1a.) It's a picture

1b.) It's a covenant

Marriage is a Spiritual, Covenant Relationship Between a Man and Woman That Has Been Created and Defined by God Himself as Revealed in the Bible.

**JUST LIKE OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD
IS BASED UPON A BLOOD COVENANT, MARRIAGE ALSO IS BASED UPON
A BLOOD COVENANT (THE VIRGINITY FACTOR)**

(Marriage is not and will never be based upon a contract)

1c.) It's a foundation

2.) What does a marriage do?

2a.) It binds two individuals together

Matthew 19:4-6

And He answered and said to them, "Have you not read that He who made *them* at the beginning 'made them male and female,' :5 and said, "*For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh*"? :6 So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate."

The Week of my 51st Birthday, My Wife Lisa asked me a Question.
In fact, she asked this question 3 times in 7 days...

“What would you like to do before you die?”

This is part of that “One Flesh” Union

It's “a binding” union that God holds very precious.

To Him, marriage is a **triune** relationship.

It's a spiritual, emotional and physical union in concert
but also it is 1 man plus 1 woman plus 1 God in concert.

WHAT DOES A MARRIAGE DO ?

2b.) It establishes a family order

2c.) It creates a culture of life

BEING A CHRISTIAN IN YOUR HOME

3.) What gives in a marriage ?

3a.) You do - whenever you talk

3b.) You do - whenever you listen

3c.) You do - whenever you look

Every husband and wife should look at each other with affirmation and affection in their eyes.

You should get “caught” looking.

Genesis 26:8-9

Now it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked through a window, and saw, and there was Isaac, showing **endearment** (affection, flirtation, to laugh, caressing, press into) to Rebekah his wife. :9 Then Abimelech called Isaac and said, “Quite obviously she’s your wife; why did you tell me that she was your sister?”

Dr. J. Vernon McGee stated it well and clearly about being attractive.
McGee said “if the barn needs painting, paint it”

This is how it should be!

“Resist the Culture - Reach 4 God”

We live in a culture and in a time that says

“Sex is a No No, Sex is a Dirty Thing, - - No Sex for You”
and then our wedding day comes and all of a sudden its O.K.
It’s expected, it’s the thing to do so lets do it !

// **Being a Christian in Your Home “Take 2”**

being married / communication in marriage / raising kids / respecting him / loving her / finances / sex more...

We Don’t Think Right
About Sex

All You Husbands Here Tonight
(His Channel Husbands Too)

Song 4:1-9

~~Behold, you are fair, my love! Behold, you are fair! You have dove's eyes behind your veil. Your hair is like a flock of goats, Going down from Mount Gilead. :2 Your teeth are like a flock of shorn sheep Which have come up from the washing, Every one of which bears twins, And none is barren among them. :3 Your lips are like a strand of scarlet, And your mouth is lovely. Your temples behind your veil Are like a piece of pomegranate. :4 Your neck is like the tower of David, Built for an armory, On which hang a thousand bucklers, All shields of mighty men. :5 Your two breasts are like two fawns, Twins of a gazelle, Which feed among the lilies. :6 Until the day breaks And the shadows flee away, I will go my way to the mountain of myrrh And to the hill of frankincense. :7 You are all fair, my love, And there is no spot in you. :8 Come with me from Lebanon, my spouse, With me from Lebanon. Look from the top of Amana, From the top of Senir and Hermon, From the lions' dens, From the mountains of the leopards. :9 You have ravished my heart, My sister, my spouse; You have ravished my heart With one look of your eyes,~~

Verse 6-9

That They Had Stayed Up All Night Long in Love

WHAT GIVES IN A MARRIAGE ?

3d.) You do – whenever you think

As Christians, we're fighting a constant battle against the forces of lust and immorality. The assault comes in the form of magazine ads to television commercials, from freeway billboard signs to pharmaceutical ads.

Your marriage and your home is under attack.

There's a Crisis in The Home Today;

And it's time for husbands to become men who protect
and cover their wives,

And it's time for wives to create and to display a
bedroom that honors God.

Husbands and wives, we want to ask the Lord to fill our minds with thoughts for our spouses.

And He's Given Us an Imagination

Sex & Sensuality is God's Creation & this world seeks to steal it

**King Solomon to his son
Proverbs 5:15-20**

Drink water from your own cistern, And running water from your own well. :16 Should your fountain be dispersed abroad, Streams of water in the streets? :17 Let them be only your own, And not for strangers. :18 Let your fountain be blessed, **And rejoice with the wife of your youth.** :19 As a loving deer and a graceful doe, Let her breasts satisfy you at all times; And always be enraptured with her love. :20 For why should you, my son, be enraptured by an immoral woman, And be embraced in the arms of a seductress?

Son, Stay Away From Bubbles.

There are people on your street, at your job, in your world
and their thoughts toward you aren't the purest.

I Have Never Seen This Program
but I can tell you that God will never allow me to see it.

Desperate Housewives

“Resist the Culture - Reach 4 God”

Ephesians 6:11-12

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. :12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

In her book “The power of a praying husband”, **Stormie Omartian** interviewed thousands of women who said that for them, sex begins hours if not a day or more before anything physical ever takes place.

“With words, with tones, with non-sexual touch.
The “foreplay” begins way in advance by being nice...”

Far too many couples feel separated and distant from one another because they are. They feel cold and mechanical about touching.

**Church Here’s Your Christian Home Work 101.
“Husband’s Begin Now To - Hold Her Hand.”**

**Church Here’s Your Christian Home Work 101.
“Wives Begin Now To – Compliment Him.”**

Just Do It

The God of The Bible **Invented** *Sex*

WHAT GIVES IN A MARRIAGE ?

3e.) You do – whenever you touch

sexual and non-sexual touch
is a powerful part of a marriage.

We have been brought up
thinking the wrong way regarding sex and sexual expression.

1 Corinthians 7:1a-2

...It is good for a man not to touch a woman. :2 Nevertheless, because of sexual immorality, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband.

Having Control Over Our Own “Spiritual Offerings”

Romans 12:1-2

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service. :2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Hebrews 13:4

Marriage is to be honored by all, (tell that to our government)
and the marriage bed undefiled,
for God will judge the **adulterer** and all the **sexually immoral**.

“Resist the Culture - Reach 4 God”

A word to the single Christian here tonight.

**YOUR BODY WAS GIVEN TO YOU BY THE LORD.
HE HAS THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF OWNERSHIP TO YOUR BODY.**

Protect It / Defend It / Preserve It

Psychologists and family life counselors have concluded that an average male has a sexual thought about every 20 seconds.

Just Say No, No, No

“But I love you so much”

Then Wait, Wait, Wait

Genesis 1:24-28,31

Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, *each* according to its kind”; and it was so. :25 And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that *it was good*. :26 Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” :27 So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. :28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”...:31 Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed *it was very good*.

**As wonderful as this is and as cute as a puppy is,
humans are not animals – we’ve been created !!!**

Genesis 2:18

And the LORD God said, “*It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him.*” – he had monkey’s and puppies...

Genesis 2:21-25

And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. :22 Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. :23 And Adam said: **(I Think I Like Ribs)** “This *is* now bone of my bones And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man.” :24 Therefore a man **(watch the birds fly by and chase monkeys – NO!)** shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, **and they shall become one flesh.** = physically :25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

The Marriage Bed

This is personal, but our kids aren’t here tonight so...

When Lisa & I have..... I pray “Lord thank you for our marriage. protect it and keep it safe. bless us and cause us to never be divided. kill any man or woman who would seek to separate us...

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and saffron, Calamus and cinnamon, With all trees of frankincense, Myrrh and aloes, With all the chief spices - :15 A fountain of gardens, A well of living waters, And streams from Lebanon. :16 Awake, O north *wind*, And come, O south! Blow upon my garden, *That* its spices may flow out. Let my beloved come to his garden And eat its pleasant fruits. 5:1 I have come to my garden, my sister, *my* spouse; I have gathered my myrrh with my spice; I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my wine with my milk. “Eat, O friends! Drink, yes, drink deeply, O beloved ones!”

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1 Corinthians 7:3-5

Let the husband render to his wife the affection due her, and likewise also the wife to her husband. :4 The wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband *does*. And likewise the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife *does*. :5 Do not deprive one another except with consent for a time, that you may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again so that Satan does not tempt you

Building a Garden Enclosed

End of Study