

SACRED MARRIAGE

Week One

The Power of Expectations

All conflict comes from _____.

You either _____ them or _____ them.

Expectations either _____ us or set us _____.

The state of marriage is one that requires more virtue and constancy than any other. It is a perpetual exercise of mortification. From this thyme plant, in spite of the bitter nature of its juice, you may be able to draw and make the honey of a holy life.”

Frances De Sales, Writer and Spiritual Director

The Spiritual Value of Marriage is in its ability to _____ us!

The primary purpose of marriage is not my _____, but our _____.

Marriage calls us to love _____.

Biblical Perspectives

1 John 4:7-12, Ephesians 5:25-28, 1 Corinthians 13:1-6

Love always comes from _____.

Love looks like _____.

Love is _____.

“Interestingly enough, the item that came up most frequently was wanting their husbands to be more actively involved in their faith. This wish, expressed across all age groups, showed a deep longing on the part of wives to share a spiritual journey with their husbands.”

Adam Hamilton, Making Love Last a Lifetime, 33.

Making Love Last a Lifetime

What women want:

Demonstrations of _____

Demonstrations of _____

_____ with the children and the home

Demonstrations of _____

What men want:

_____ doing things together

How do you test your love?

Acts of _____

Expressions of _____

Marriage is not about what we _____, but about what we _____.

Take Home Questions

If the test of love is acts of service and expressions of gratitude, how are we doing?

What is one thing you need me to start doing?

What is one thing you need me to stop doing?

How can I be a blessing to you in your life?

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