Marriage Conference Sessions Offered

God's Plan for Marriage – A review of the Genesis account of marriage that establishes the foundation for everything else the Bible has to say about this God-given institution.

Differences in Marriage – Genesis 1:27 says that "...male and female he created them." The differences between the sexes can cause extreme frustration in the marriage relationship. This somewhat lighthearted look at the differences between men and women is designed to help husbands and wives appreciate these differences, as designed by God.

Communication in Marriage – Poor communication is a major cause of marital difficulties today. This session is designed to remind spouses about the elements of effective communication as well as help them to understand hindrances to communicating effectively.

Communication (Intimacy) in Marriage (Split) – This session explores the seasons of marriage and how they impact communication and intimacy in marriage. Attention is also given to how men and women view romance and intimacy differently and simple things that husbands and wives can do to keep the "fires of romance" burning hot.

Conflict and Forgiveness in Marriage – Conflict is natural and can even be healthy in a marriage relationship. Unfortunately, due to how we were raised or what we were exposed to, conflict is often handled in a manner that tears down the marriage relationship. This session looks at how to effectively deal with conflict in marriage, as well as the need for true biblical forgiveness.

Overcoming Resentment and Conflict in Marriage – Understanding how resentment can build up on marriage (the cycle of resentment) and how it can be biblically dealt with and overcome in the marriage relationship. This session also explores a biblical model for handling conflict.

Ministering to Your Spouse (Split) – Marriage is about ministry! Following Christ's example to minister (Mt. 20:28), spouses are challenged to submit to each other (Eph. 5:21) and glorify God by simply ministering to their spouse.

The Husband's / Wife's Responsibilities in Marriage (Split) – Marital responsibilities are explored from a biblical perspective. Husbands are challenged to "Love like a Saviour, and Lead like a Servant." Wives are challenged to "Love and Respect" their husbands.

Having a Victorious Marriage – Making it the BEST it can be – This session is built from the acronym BEST – Blessing, Edification, Sharing, and Touching (Ed Wheat) and challenges couples to improve their relationship by implementing these biblical mandates.

The Art of Commitment in Marriage – Developed from Song of Solomon, this session explores the biblical truths that Love is... Planned by God; Possessive; Permanent; A Divine Institution; Persevering; Priceless; and Providential.

The Art of Communication in Marriage – [The Music of Marriage] – Developed from Song of Solomon, this session explores the communication between Solomon and his bride, focusing on the WORDS that they use – Plentiful, Personal, Positive, and Passionate!

Being Husband's and Wives Who Are Passionate about Purity (Split) – We live in a world that is totally obsessed with sex! Especially with the advent of the internet, pornography has invaded many Christian marriages. This session is designed to help both men and women be challenged to be pure in the midst of a very impure world.

The Art of Romance in Marriage – Developed from Song of Solomon, the marriage relationship of Solomon and his bride is once again analyzed to help spouses to be more romantic. From their example, we see how they Deepened in the Knowledge, Exaltation, Praise, Appreciation, Affection, Respect, Delight, Trust, Admiration, and Devotion to their mate.

Expert Marriage Panel – A forum approach to teaching that has proven very effective. In the past, we have chosen a panel of four older couples who have raised their children and now have grandchildren. Conference attendees are solicited in the weeks before to conference to write down anonymous marriage related questions for the panel to address. The panel members are given the questions a week or so in advance so they can prepare their responses. If time is available, questions from the floor are also taken. This has been an excellent opportunity for the "older" to teach the "younger" and has been one of the favorite sessions when we have incorporated it into conferences in the past.

Biblical Oneness / Marriage - The Ultimate Team

- A Biblical Basis for Oneness in Marriage
- Hindrances to Marital Oneness
- Developing Oneness

The Responsibility & Privilege to Minister to Your Mate (Split Session)