

Upcoming Sermons



January 20

The Foundation of Friendship

January 27

Mutual Honour in Marriage

February 3

Honouring the Journey of the Single Person

February 10

Exploring God's Design for Sexuality

February 17

Exploring God's Design for Sexuality
A Biblical View on Same-Sex Attraction

February 24

Exploring God's Design for Sexuality
An Honest Wrestle with Same-Sex Attraction
A Personal Story (Journey Canada)

March 3

The Gift of Intimacy in Marriage

March 10

Christ and His Church



What Comes After The "I Do"?

Mike Sotski ~ January 13, 2019

Soren Kierkegaard

"Marriage actually enhances romantic love instead of curtailing it. The ethical commitment to another person in marriage is precisely what enables the spontaneity of romantic love to achieve the stability and longevity that it longs for but is unable to provide by itself."

Genesis 2:18 NLT

Then the Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him."

Genesis 2:23 NLT

"At last!" the man exclaimed. "This one is bone from my bone, and flesh from my flesh! She will be called 'woman,' because she was taken from 'man.'"

Ezer – a companion, a strong helper.

This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one.

Genesis 2:25 NLT

Now the man and his wife were both naked, but they felt no shame.

Covenant - a solemn and binding relationship which is meant to last a lifetime

- In a contract we try to protect our rights and limit our responsibilities.
- In a covenant we give up our rights and pick up our responsibilities.

Vows

*I, (groom/bride's name),
take you, (groom/bride's name),
to be my (husband/wife),
to have and to hold
from this day forward,
for better, for worse,
for richer, for poorer,
in sickness and in health,
to love and to cherish,
until death do us part.
This is my solemn vow.*

Apprenticeship Prayer Partner Questions

If you are married:

In the past week have I made an effort to live out the wedding vows I made? What choices have I made to put my spouse first this week?

If you are single:

In what areas of my life am I learning to put others first? What is it teaching me about my heart and my character?

Further Resources:

www.nationalmarriageproject.org

Books:

- “The Meaning of Marriage” – Tim Keller
- “Love & War” – John & Stasi Eldredge
- “His Needs, Her Needs” – Willard F. Harley Jr.
- “The New Rules for Love, Sex, and Dating” – Andy Stanley
- “People to Be Loved: Why Homosexuality is Not Just an Issue” – Preston Sprinkle

Right Now Media:

- “iMarriage” – Andy Stanley
- “The Mingling of Souls” – Matt Chandler
- “Love and Respect” – Emerson & Sarah Eggerichs
- “Marriage: Built to Last” – Chip Ingram
- “Grace/Truth 1.0” – Preston Sprinkle

Podcasts:

- Preston Sprinkle – “Theology in the Raw”
- Jon Tyson (Church of the City New York) “Controversial Jesus” sermon series.
- StAAC – Nathan Carroll – Jesus on Divorce
<http://staalliance.org/resources/teaching/jesus-on-divorce-part-1/>
<http://staalliance.org/resources/teaching/jesus-on-divorce-part-2/>