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Marriage Day

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"Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it." **Psalms 127:1.**

I don't want to talk about the negative statistics surrounding marriage. My goal and desire today is to help make your marriage gain strength from the Lord. Move from glory to glory.

We all fall short of the bible picture of a husband and wife so let's have the burden removed from ourselves to be perfect and allow Christ to do His work in our souls. We submit one to another and bring divine order holding the word of God in highest esteem.

This is supposed to be a fun session, though it may be serious at times, to help you and your spouse "know" one another better. May you walk in peace and find His perfect path for you both. Think of this as a treasure hunt of beauty and success.

Remember God is for you and not against you, He is with you and is on your side. He is THE God of love and wishes the best for you. He has seen you in every weakness and loved you then. He is loving you through strength and through weakness. He has never had any disillusionments with you for he had no illusions about you in the first place. You are His treasure and so is your partner.

If you can find a private area in the Community centre and go there for an hour with your darling spouse and talk through some of these questions. I have given you at least one scripture to dwell on as you talk through them.

At the end I have a little craft for you to make with your partner. If you could grab a heart as you go out and a suitable writing tool and think of a single word to place on each side of the heart that you cherish about your beloved. One partner writes on one side and the other partner on the other side. Don't think you have to show them to us all at the end of the session they are for your joy and as reminders of The Lord's Grace and kindness towards you today.

When you have found your tranquil place. I ask you to bear with me and hold hands...

I Peter 3; 7 Learn to dwell together... that prayers be not hindered. Now ask the Lord to truly build your home. Invite Him into every area of your soul (for remember He occupies your spirit entirely), every area of your body, every area of your married life and tell him of your commitment to him.

Ask Him into your financial life. If you are facing difficulties please continue to hold hands and just ask him to help and give wisdom to you both.

Ask him to strengthen your commitment to one another. Speak love into your marriage.

Ask Him into your business of life at home, your child rearing, your work place speak balance.

Invite Him into your emotions and declare you will be people of forgiveness. If you have built up any anger or resentment I ask you to clench your fist and release that to the Lord by opening your palm. (Keep in mind your spirit man who you really are is full of love.)

Ask for help to communicate with each other in love. He knows but I suggest this because He loves your voice and your marriage.

Ask Him into your lonely times for he fills all in all.

Ask Him into your marriage bed, there would be holy joy and fulfilment.

Remember we do this knowing He has never left you nor forsaken you but you are committing this all to Him. Speak to each other in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Solomon wrote some great love sonnets and may our words bring healing and may love flow without dissimulation between you both as you hold hands and discuss. May you truly be a balm of Gilead to each other!

"Above all hold unfailing your love for one another, since love covers a multitude of sins." [1 Peter 4:8](#)

1. What can make you feel loved this week from me?

"Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them." [Colossians 3:19](#).

2. Do you feel heard in our relationship?

"She that is married careth ... how she may please her husband." [1 Corinthians 7:34](#).

3. Do I give you enough space to be you?

"With God all things are possible." [Matthew 19:26](#).

4. Is there any desires you have that you would like to share? Or any hobbies that you would like us to pursue together?

"Be kindly affectioned one to another ... in honour preferring one another." [Romans 12:10](#).

5. What can I do to help/serve you better? Is there a good division of labour in our home?

"Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." [Ephesians 4:32](#).

6. Do you feel respected when we are in public?

"Her husband ... praiseth her." [Proverbs 31:28](#).

7. What is your favourite thing about yourself? And about me?

"For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife. ... Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder." [Matthew 19:5, 6](#).

8. Am I doing anything that drives you crazy?

"Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled." [Hebrews 13:4](#)

9. How would you feel pursued in intimacy and sexually this week?

"Pray one for another." [James 5:16](#)

10. How can I pray for you this week? What can we agree on in prayer?

End by Thanking God for what is in store for you both... Life in abundance. Seal with a kiss. x