

Growth Group Discussion

Winter

Week 4

We use these times to *grow spiritually and to deepen our relationships*.

Reflection

1. What stood out to you from Sunday's message about marriage?
2. In ancient times, and sadly still in some parts of the world, women were viewed as property to be acquired. Jesus brought a very different message regarding the relationships between a man and his wife. How does Ephesians 5:22-28 demonstrate this?
3. Verses 22-24 can be unsettling for many women and some see it as outdated. Why do you think some women struggle with this passage?
4. How does a man's obedience to Ephesians 5:24-28 affect the marriage relationship?

Discussion Questions for the Married.

1. Social media, texting, and emails have made it easier than ever to stay connected with others. This has also brought a new threat to marriages around the world. From access to ex boyfriends and old girlfriends on Facebook to texting with a coworker, relationships can get into trouble quickly in today's digital age. What do you think are some of the best ways for a married couple to protect their covenant from outsiders in this regard?
2. A question for your own heart: Are you currently engaged in any digital conversations (texting/email etc) with a member of the opposite sex that your spouse would not approve of i.e. either the frequency or content of the communication?
3. What is one thing you could do this week to strengthen your marriage covenant?

Discussion Questions for the Unmarried

1. If you were to draw up your own vows for marriage what would they be, and what vows would you expect to be made by your future spouse?
2. Which attributes of a strong marriage you have observed help you understand something about God's relationship to his people in a more practical way?

Family Reminders

Growth Group Facilitators and Hosts Meeting TODAY after service in the Annex.

Lunch will be provided.

Straight Talk Workshop Saturday, February 25th 9 am-1pm

Join us for an engaging time together focused on the enormous benefits of a lifestyle of purity on individuals and families. Barry and Debbie Mattox will host the workshop and will talk about principles, pitfalls, and practical, tested solutions that can help us in these crucial areas. Light refreshments and childcare provided. Sign up for childcare at the Welcome Center or send an email to admin2@jacksonvillechurch.tv

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

Saturday, February 18th: Matching prime timers with young marrieds for a dinner date night. Contact Jim Mackie at 904-477-9291 if you have any questions.

Share Your Treasures

Our annual Share Your Treasures Day is coming **March 4th**. See the newsletter or contact Loretta Berndt for more info: (317) 603-9361.

March Madness

JCC will be hosting this annual event the weekend of **March 31st to April 2nd**. More info to come!