



MARRIAGE FROM
A BIBLICAL
PERSPECTIVE

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One: ADVENTURE

Our marriage is our responsibility. It is the responsibility of every couple to fight for their marriage. Church leadership, our family, and friends cannot want our marriage to succeed more than we do. If we are going to build a healthy marriage that is honoring to God, we must be intentional and invest in our relationship. This investment will not reap dividends overnight, but over a lifetime.

Adventure is a sense of direction that unifies your family and brings focus to your efforts. It is when we choose to take a step and move in a direction where things may be at stake. How do you know what the adventure is that God is calling you to go on?

Three perspectives were shared in knowing the will of God: calling, individuality, and season.

1. Read Genesis 1:26-27 and Matthew 28:18-20. In reference to our calling and the aforementioned biblical texts, the two chief aspects of our calling are that we have a common calling and a redemptive calling. What is the difference between our common calling and our redemptive calling? What do both of these look like in everyday life?
2. What can happen in a marriage and family if your calling is not directly linked to how your marriage and family operates?
3. On the other hand, what can happen if your calling *is* linked to your marriage and family? Share one example.
4. As men and women, we have been created so differently. We have to be very careful not to project our individual wiring onto our spouses. Rather, we are to embrace how God has uniquely created them. How can we practically appreciate our spouse's individuality (including their natural gifts and spiritual gifts)?
5. God has called us to work and to be on mission with Jesus. What does this look like in your present season? How can your group members pray for you concerning your work? How can they pray for you in being on mission?