

## SEX

### GOD'S GIFT TO MARRIED COUPLES

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**Gen 2:22 + 25 (LB)** Then God made ...a woman and brought her to the man. This is it! Adam exclaimed. The man and his wife were both naked, but neither was embarrassed or ashamed.

### GOD CREATED SEX TO...

1. PROMOTE \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph 5:31)

2. PROVIDE \_\_\_\_\_ (Pr 5:18-19)

3. PRODUCE \_\_\_\_\_ (Gen 1:28)

**1 Cor 6:16 (TM)** There's more to sex than mere skin on skin. Sex is as much **spiritual mystery** as physical fact. As written in Scripture, 'the two become one.'

### REALIZING GOD'S ATTITUDE TOWARD SEX

1. SEX IS \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Tim 4:4-5 (NCV)** Everything God made is good, and nothing should be refused if it is accepted with thanks, because it is made holy by what God said and by prayer.

**Pr 5:18-19 (LB)** Be happy, yes rejoice in your wife... Let her... tender embrace satisfy you. Let her love alone fill you with delight.

2. SEX IS \_\_\_\_\_

**Heb 13:4 (TM)** Honor marriage, and guard the sacredness of sexual intimacy between wife and husband.

3. SEX IN MARRIAGE \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Cor 6:20 (LB)** Use every part of your body to glorify God.

### INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE BIBLE ON SEX

1. BE \_\_\_\_\_ ABOUT SEX

**Pr 24:26 (NIV)** An honest answer is like a kiss on the lips.

**Pr 13:17 (LB)** Reliable communication permits progress.

**1 Thes 5:11 (NLT)** Encourage each other and build each other up.

2. MINISTER \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Cor 7:3-5 (TM)** The marriage bed must be a place of mutuality – the husband seeking to satisfy his wife, the wife seeking to satisfy her husband. Marriage is not a place to stand up for your rights. Marriage is a decision to serve the other, whether in bed or out.

3. CREATE A HEALTHY \_\_\_\_\_

**Song of Solomon** – Privacy (2:5), Complimenting (1:15-16), Affectionate touching (2:6), Fragrances (1:12), Unhurried Time (5:1b), Attractive attire (4:9, 11), Special places (7:12), Intimate talk (4:16), Total Commitment (8:6-7)

4. DON'T \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Cor 7:7 (PH)** Do not cheat each other of normal sexual relations, unless you both decide to abstain temporarily to make a special time for prayer. But afterwards you should resume relations as before, or you will expose yourselves to the obvious temptations of Satan.