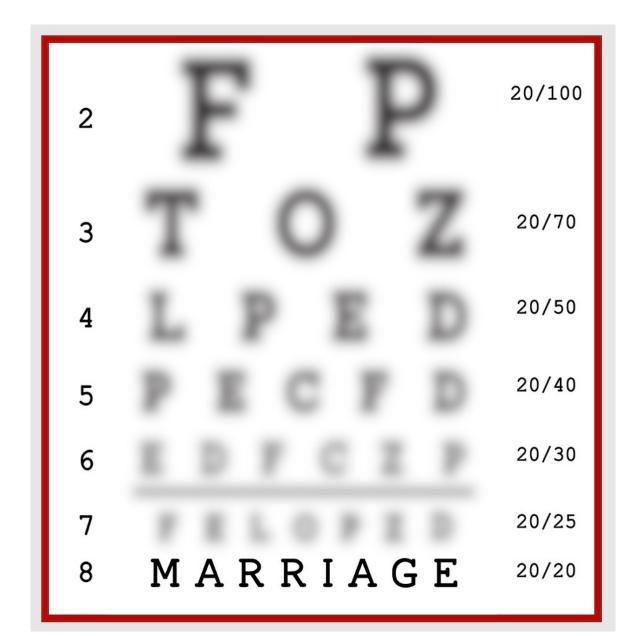
# A Clear Vision of Marriage

March 17 & 24 ROCC Equipping Class





## Week One: God's Design

Establishing a clear vision of God's purpose for marriage.

#### Week Two: Our Desire

Establishing a clear vision of what we desire in our marriage.

### Why did you get married? What were you hoping to get out of marriage?



TABLE TALK

## What is God's purpose for "covenant" marriage?

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# Make Holy > Make Happy = God's Purpose

#### More Than We Can Imagine!



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# Thoughts?



### "Marriage exposes your sin like no other relationship"



## Agree / Disagree? What do we do with this within God's vision?



## Mutual Sanctification & Maturing of our Faith



#### - Romans 5:3-5 - James 1:2-4 - 1 John 1:8 - Proverbs 24:16 / 27:17



### So, when Holy > Happy ...



#### - Grace

- Forgiveness

Fruit of

1 Corinthians

13:4-7

The Spirit

- Mercy
- Kindness
- Patience

# Moves us toward the necessary posture and environment of ...



#### - Humility Testimony - Honesty **Of Christ** - Intentionality His Church - Vulnerability - Sacred Unity

#### Also Present ...

Openness to Counseling
Healthy Communication
Confidentiality & Respect



# Couple Reflection & Take-Aways

## "Are we asking more of our marriage than it was designed to give?"



## "Are we asking more of our marriage than I was designed to get?"



## Is my/our happiness the purpose of our marriage?



## Or is my/our holiness the purpose of our marriage?



#### Week Two: Our Desire



# Establishing a clear vision of what we desire for our marriage.

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### A God-Centered Spouse



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