

*Sweet
&
Salty*

Conversations!



Series w/Pastor D

**Biblical Conversations that Connect w/Christian
Husbands & Wives ... & Christian Singles! ✓**

Sweet & Salty Conversations! Singles!

Singles Series “Teachings”

- ✍ It's Only Beautiful When it's Biblical! I & II
- ✍ Why Can't We Be Friends? “Hedonism!”
- ✍ Defrauding ~ “Mate Stealing!”
- ✍ Emotional Adultery! ~ Counterfeit Emotions!
- ✍ Let's Talk About Sex ~ “SEX EM!”
- ✍ There is a Throne of GRACE! Prescription Glasses Are Required!



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Conversations*

*Marriages
in
Crisis!*

*Husbands
&
Wives*



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What Marriage is For!

WHY Did You Get
Married?

What is Your WHY?

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Foundation Scriptures!

James 4: 1

“What Causes Quarrels & Fights (Discord and Feuds) Among You (Husbands & Wives)?”

Romans 5: 20

“Where SIN Abounds, GRACE Abounds Much More!”



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Foundation Scriptures!

2 Corinthians 5: 15

“Christ Died for All So that Those Who Live Would Not Continue to Live **Selfishly!**”

2 Peter 1: 3

“By His **Divine Power**, God Has Given Us **Everything** We Need to Live a Godly Life!”



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Foundation Scriptures!

Matthew 19: 8

Jesus said to them “Because of the **Hardness** of Your **HEART** Moses Allowed You to **Divorce** Your Wives, but from the **Beginning** it Was Not So!”

God’s Expressed **Will & Plan: One Husband! One Wife! One Time!**



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Foundation Scriptures!

Song of Solomon 8: 6 - 7

“Set Me as a Seal Upon Your **Heart**, as a Seal Upon Your Arm, for **LOVE** is Strong as **Death**, Jealousy is Fierce as the Grave. Its Flashes are Flashes of Fire, the Very Flame of the Lord. Many Waters Cannot Quench LOVE, Neither Can Floods Drown it. If a Man Offered for **LOVE** All the Wealth of His House, He Would be Utterly Despised!”



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Objectives/Focus ... Series

In a Christian Marriage **Husbands** Are a Portrait of “**Represent**” **Christ**; **Wives** are a Portrait of “**Represent**” the **Church**!

Husbands & Wives ~ What You Do Not Have the **Independent Capacity** to Do ~ You've Been Made Able to Do, Through His **Divine Power**!



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Objectives/Focus ... Series

Husbands & Wives ~ Assess the **Spiritual & Emotional Health** of Your **Marriage?**

Husbands & Wives ~ Marriage is **100% Self-Sacrifice** - not **50/50!** ... The Reason it Feels **Unfair** is Because **Sacrifice** is Not Always **Balanced** in Marriage!



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Objectives/Focus ... Series

Husbands & Wives ~ What Are Your
“Struggles” in Marriage? Those Areas ...
You Just Can't Get Right?

Husbands & Wives ~ Understand ...
Knowledge About Spiritual Things is NOT
Spiritual Knowledge!



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Objectives/Focus ... Series

In Times of “Crisis” How Should a Husband & Wife Respond ... What Should “Adam & Eve” Do?

Husbands & Wives ~ What Do You Really Know About LOVE? Is Your Marriage a Place of LOVE?



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Is Your Marriage in **CRISIS**?

- ☞ You Don't Feel Heard, Nor Are You a Listener!
- ☞ You're Both ~ Defensive & Critical!"
- ☞ You Have Nothing Much to "Talk" About!
- ☞ Distance Between You Continues to Grow!
- ☞ You've Given Up!
- ☞ You're Unavailable for Sexual Intimacy ...
You're Not Having Sex!



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Is Your Marriage in **CRISIS**?

- ☞ You're With Each Other - But Not Really With Each Other! (Not Engaged)
- ☞ You Don't Spend Any Real Time Together!
- ☞ You're Pre-occupied With Your Own Needs & Other People's Needs!
- ☞ You Fantasize About Life Without Your Spouse?



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POWERPOINTS ... Series

Husbands/Wives ~ Marriage is NOT “Give & Take” ~ Marriage is “Give & Give!” Typically

There are (3) Types of People in Marriage:

- ☞ Giver & Taker! “I & Me!”
- ☞ Taker & Taker! “I & Me!”
- ☞ Giver & Giver! “We & Us!”

Who Did You Marry?



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POWERPOINTS ... Series

Husbands/Wives ~ Becoming One is Really About Learning to Live a Lifestyle of Confession & Forgiveness to Each Other!

Husbands/Wives ~ A Great Challenge to the Health & Success of Your Marriage is Immaturity! Immaturity is a WMD ... Destroying Marriages!



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POWERPOINTS ... Series

Husbands/Wives ~ It's Highly Possible to
“Dislike” Someone You “Love!”

Husbands/Wives ~ You Both Have an “Inner
Lawyer” Inside You ... A “Defense Lawyer”
Inside You Who's Always Ready to Defend You,
Especially in Times of Confrontation! Be
Mindful to Dismiss the Lawyer!



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POWERPOINTS ... Series

Husbands/Wives ~ In Marriage, **GRACE** Never Calls Wrong Right! **GRACE** Never Tolerates **SIN!** GRACE is Never “Offensive, Vindictive, Controlling, Abusive or Get’s Even!”

GRACE in Marriage Uncovers Wrong & Cancel’s Debts!



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POWERPOINTS ... Series

Husbands/Wives ~ It's Hard Work to Note what a Spouse is Failing to Do: To be Hurt, Tired & Frustrated & Still Give 100%; God Calls that GRACE!

Husbands/Wives ~ At the Point of Your "Struggles" You Must Allow the Holy Spirit to Meet Those "Struggles!"



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Teachings ... Series

- ✍ What is **WHY?** What **Marriage** is For!
- ✍ This Thing Called **ME!** **ME-isms** ~ “**SELF-isms!**”
- ✍ **PENNY** Lovers! “**Marriage Bitterness!**”
- ✍ The “**For-WORSE**” Moments!
- ✍ Blow on **My Garden!** “There’s More Than **One Garden** In the Bible! **SEX!!**”
- ✍ **CROSS-Shaped** Love! “**Two Givers!**”



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Previous Teaching ~ Week 1

- I. What is WHY? What Marriage is For!
 - a. God Put Function of Marriage ... **Your DNA!**
 - i. Adam/Eve's M. Purpose - **Dress & Keep!**
 - b. God Established ... **Marriage Template!**
 - i. Husband & Wife - **Influencers & Partners!**
 - ii. What Marriage is For - **(5) Definitive WHY's - What Marriage is For!**



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Previous Teaching ~ Week 1

I. What is WHY? What Marriage is For!

c. Adam & Eve's Rebellion . . . Evicted from
the Garden! (No More Garden)

i. Birth of Death - Disease of ME!

a. Sin Nature . . . ME-isms & SELF-isms!

This Thing Called "ME!"



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What is **WHY?** What Marriage is For!

Sovereignty & Providence of God:

He's an “**On-Purpose & Definitive**” God

God Doesn't Do Anything or Command

You to Do Anything Without

Definitive “**Purpose!**”



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What is WHY? What Marriage is For!

Sovereignty & Providence of God:
He's an "On-Purpose & Definitive" God

John 16: 12

"I Still Have Many Things to Say to You,
But You Are Not Able to Bear Them or
to Take Them Upon You or to Grasp
Them Now!"



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What is **WHY**? What Marriage is For!

Genesis 2: 23 - 24

“This is Now Bone of My Bones and Flesh of My Flesh; She Shall be Called Woman for She Was Taken Out of Man.”

This Explains **WHY** . . . **Therefore** . . . That is **WHY** . . . a Man Leaves His Father & Mother & is Joined to His Wife & the Two Become One Flesh!”



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What is **WHY?** What Marriage is For!
Reasons Adam's **Aloneness** Was Not Good:

God Created Adam for "Relationship!"
To Love & Lead "**Human Family Institute!**"

Adam Was Responsible for Taking **Care of**
the **Garden** - The **Garden** Represented the
Earthly Kingdom ... Adam Would Need
a "**Suitable**" Helper!



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What is WHY? What Marriage is For!

Adam & Eve's Responsibility:

Genesis 2: 15

And the Lord God Took the Man (Adam) and

Put Him in the Garden of Eden to Tend ...

Guard ... Dress ... Keep ... Cultivate ... Grow ...

Preserve ... Protect ... Care For ...

Be Faithful to!



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Marriages in Crisis!

“What Causes Quarrels & Fights (Discord and Feuds) Among You?”

This Thing Called “ME!”

The Sin of “Selfishness!”

Driven by . . . SIN Nature!



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Sweet & Salty Conversations! Marriage!

Today's Teaching ~ Week II

- I. This Thing Called ME! Selfishness in Marriage
 - a. Who's the Cause . . . **satan Knew the "WHY!"**
 - i. **satan Attacked God - Marriage Institute!**
 - ii **Became the Voice - Marriage Interpreter!**
 - a. **satan Disguised Himself . . . Became Adam & Eve's Inner Voice!**
 - i. **Who's the - VOICE in You?**



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Sweet & Salty Conversations! Marriage!

Today's Teaching ~ Week II

- II. This Thing Called ME! Selfishness in Marriage
 - b. Kingdom of Self ... **Personality of Selfishness!**
 - i. Me! My! I! You! - **Takers DNA!**
 - c. Kingdom of God ... **Die to SELF!**
 - i. Follow & Apply - **The "WHY!"**
 - ii. God's Voice - **Confess & Forgive!**



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Sweet & Salty Conversations! Marriage!

The Fall & the Birth of DEATH!

“Disease of ME” - Lawlessness Was Born!

Every Human - Born with a SIN NATURE! All
SIN . . . Classified Either PRE-Salvation Sins or
POST-Salvation Sins!

PRE-Salvation - the Lust of the Flesh Controls
Your Choices! POST-Salvation (Born-Again)

You are FREE from the Authority &
Power of SIN!



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Sweet & Salty Conversations! Marriage!

The Fall & the Birth of DEATH!

“Disease of ME” ~ Represents Everything
WRONG w/ME!

- ✍ WHY the World Resist's God & Holiness!
- ✍ WHY the World - Filled with Evil & Hatred!
Ungodly Choices! Corruption! Prejudice!
- ✍ WHY We're Influenced by Worldly Vices!
Alcoholism! Drugs! Social Media!
Attracted to Wrong Places & Things!

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Model of a complete family

Maturity

Transition

“THIS IS WHY A MAN LEAVES HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BECOMES ATTACHED TO HIS WIFE, AND THEY BECOME ONE FLESH”

A new family

Complement

Genesis 2: 24

A process of learning, friendship and trust

Marriage Template

Deep intimacy between two people

(4) “Pillars!”

Institute of Christ & the Church!

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Singles!

The **WHY!** What **Marriage** is For!

Genesis 2: 24

Priority!



Permanence



Oneness



Openness



(4) **PILLARs** - Christian Marriage



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Sweet & Salty Conversations! Marriage!

Who Caused “Selfishness” in Marriage?

satan Disguised Himself - Marriage Interpreter!

Using the Body of a Serpent, satan Attacked
God & the Institute of Marriage!

He became a Marriage Interpreter . . . satan
Disguised His Voice with Adam & Eve’s Inner
Voice ... Deceived Them into Thinking
“You Will Be Like God!”

Biblical Conversations That Connect!



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Who Caused “Selfishness” in Marriage?

satan Disguises Himself - Marriage Interpreter!

In the Sound of Your VOICE . . . satan
Manipulates Your Thoughts & Feelings About
Your Spouse: . . . He INTERPRETs for YOU, Your
Spouses “Feelings, Words, Body Language &
Actions!”

“She’s! He’s! He Isn’t! She Isn’t! “He’s Not!
She’s Not! She Won’t! He Won’t!

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Who Caused “Selfishness” in Marriage?

satan Knew the WHY - What Marriage was For!

satan Knew God Created the Institute of Christian Marriages was to Spread the Gospel of Christ & God’s Holiness, throughout the Earth! Through the Continuous Birth of Families in the Garden & the (4) PILLARs for Christian Marriage!



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Who Caused “Selfishness” in Marriage?

satan Disguises Himself - Marriage Interpreter!

Ephesians 4: 27

Leave No Room or Foothold for the devil; Give
No Opportunity to him!

satan’s OBJ is to Get You to See God, His Word
& Your Spouse in a Certain Dark Light!

You Have to Know Light Can’t Be Dark!

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The Fall & the Birth of DEATH!

Adam & Eve - Evicted from Eden!

This Thing Called “ME” - SELFISNESS
Was Born!

Considered the #1 Problem in Marriages:

The Sin of “Selfishness!”

SELFisms - Selfish YOU!



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Birth - The Kingdom of SELF!

Consequences - satan's Attack on Marriage:

- ✍ (2) Flawed Persons (Sinners) Fighting for Headship in Marriage! Genesis 3
- ✍ Monogamy Destroyed! Lamech/Genesis 4: 19
- ✍ Heterosexuality Abandoned for Homosexuality; Genesis 18 (Sodom & Gomorrah)!
- ✍ Unnatural Marriages! Genesis 6



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Birth - The Kingdom of SELF!

Consequences - satan's Attack on Marriage:

- ✗ **Divorce** Was Born! Deuteronomy 24
- ✗ **Intermarrying** w/Nonbelievers! Exodus 34
- ✗ **Sexual Perversion** Was Born! Exodus 22
- ✗ **Spiritual & Physical Death!** Gen 3; Romans 3 \

Christ - Be Born as Our Redeemer;
Ultimately Destroy satan!



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The Kingdom of SELF - SELFisms!

This Thing Called "ME!"

- ☞ Talk to Your Spouse Like That! Takers!
- ☞ Prideful! Domineering! Ugly & Rude!
- ☞ Treat Your Spouse Like That! Angry!
- ☞ Elevate Their Needs Above! Bad Judgment!
- ☞ Self Absorbed! Entitlement! Insensitive!
- ☞ Lacks Empathy! Callous! Arrogant!



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The Kingdom of SELF - SELFisms!

Selfish Persons - Takers in Marriage!

SELF-Focused Persons!

My Wants! My Needs! My Feelings!

TAKERS in Marriage Never Work Because They Live in Constant State of “**Cake & Eat Too!**”

Marry a **TAKER** & Over time Resentment & Disillusionment will Build!



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The Kingdom of God - Dying to Self!

2 Corinthians 5: 15

“Christ Died for All So that Those Who Live Would Not Continue to Live for **Selfishly!**”

The WHY - What Marriage is For:

“Christian Marriage is a **Husband & Wife DYING to Self!** The More YOU Die, the More You **Become ONE!**”



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The Kingdom of God - Dying to Self!

The WHY - What Marriage is For:

“Until the Spirit of SELF Dies - Marriages Function According to satan’s VOICE!

John 12: 24

“I Tell you the Truth, Unless a Grain of Wheat is Planted in the Earth & Dies, it Remains Alone; it Never Becomes More. But if it Dies, it Will Produce & Yield a Rich Harvest!”



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The Kingdom of God - Dying to Self!

How to Die to SELF: “Confession!”

Honest, Humble Admission of “Specific”

Wrongs Done - Sins Committed or Omitted
Against a Spouse!

- ✍ Kills the Flesh! Acknowledges Need for God!
- ✍ Leads to Healing! Moves Towards Holiness!
- ✍ No Change Without Confession!



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The Kingdom of God - Dying to Self!

How to Die to SELF: “Forgiveness!”

Send Away or Set Free! Release
from Prison! Extend Mercy &
Grace (Favor)!

- ✎ Releases **God's Power** in Marriage!
- ✎ Destroys **Bitterness & Resentment!**
- ✎ Leads to **Love - Loving** More Fully!



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The Kingdom of God - Dying to Self!

How to Die to SELF - "Grace!"

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Calls Wrong Right! GRACE Never Tolerates
SIN! GRACE is Never "Offensive, Vindictive,
Controlling, Abusive or Get's Even!"

GRACE in Marriage Uncovers Wrong &
Cancel's Debts!



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The Kingdom of God - Dying to Self!

How to Die to SELF:

“You’re Healthy & Successful in Marriage

ONLY When Your Spouse Tells You!

YOU Can’t be the Evaluator or Define How

You Treat Your Spouse! Your Spouse

Evaluates Pride; Denial; Lawyering; Dishonest;

Lack Humility; or ... if You’re Mr. or Mrs.

Wonderful!

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The Kingdom of God - Dying to Self!
What's Causing "Strife" in Your Marriage?

Husbands & Wives ~ What is Your Spouse
Crying for ... What Does Your Spouse Need ...
You've Got to Focus on & Commit to?

Dying to SELF is Endeavoring to Meet
the Needs of Each Other!



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Marriages In Crisis!



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What is WHY? What Marriage is For!
God Created “Marriage Function” (DNA)

Adam & Eve’s Purpose . . . Influence!

Adam (Husband’s) Influence - “Leadership!”

- ✍ Influence Wife - “Master Ephesians 5!”
- ✍ Influence Wife - “Godliness & Holiness!”
- ✍ Influence Wife - “Listening! Humility!”
- ✍ Influence Wife - “Action! Doing!”



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What is WHY? What Marriage is For!
God Created “Marriage Function” (DNA)

Adam & Eve’s Purpose ... Influence!

Eve (Wife’s) Influence - “Helper!”

- ✍ Influence Husband - “Assist Adam’s Calling!”
- ✍ Influence Husband - “His Growth/Maturity!”
- ✍ Influence Husband - “Wisdom & Discernment!”
- ✍ Influence Husband - “Seeing!” “Prayer!”

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What is WHY? What Marriage is For!

God's Established ~ "Marriage Template!"

Adam & Eve ... "Partners!"

Eve (Wife) as a "Help-meet" (Partner)

Genesis 2:18 ... Hebrew H5828 "ā'·zer"

Partner; One Who Comes Alongside to
Achieve a Goal; Equal; Suitable; Same Level;
Love & Respect!



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What is WHY? What Marriage is For!

(5) Definitive WHY's (Husband & Wife):

- ✍ **Ruling!** Dominion & Authority!
- ✍ **Work!** Dress! Keep! Cultivate! Set Forth!
- ✍ **Companionship!** Spouse Primary Relationship!
- ✍ **Sexual Intimacy!** Sexual before Sinful!
- ✍ **Family Institute!** Fruitful & Multiply!



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What is **WHY?** What Marriage is For!

Adam & Eve's Responsibilities:

Eve (**Wives**), if You're Married to a Man
Who's NOT a "**Worker/Care-Taker**" IAW

God's **WHY** - **What Marriage is For ...**

You Will Miss God's **Purpose & BEST!**

Marriage Will Be Difficult!



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What is **WHY**? What Marriage is For!

Adam & Eve's Responsibilities:

Adam (Husbands), if You're Married to a Woman Who's NOT Willing to Come Alongside & "**Help**" You Accomplish God's **WHY** ... You Will Miss **God's Purpose & BEST!** Marriage Will be Difficult!



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