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Text: Genesis 2:18-24 (p. 2)

There is an increasing _____ and _____ about marriage in our culture.

Young people especially believe their chances of having a good marriage are not great. And, even if they happen to have a stable marriage (which they believe is unlikely), then there is the utterly horrifying thought it will become _____.

In the Lord we can have a marriage that is _____ and _____.

Practicing followers of Jesus report greater overall _____ and joy in life in study after study whether it is with work, marriage, raising kids, whatever.

When it comes to marriage, practicing Christians divorce at less than _____ the rate of the general population.

The highest divorce rate is actually among those who _____ Christianity but do not practice their faith in their daily life.

Christianity only works if we _____ – if we practice – if we follow. That's true for all of life, including marriage. **(Rev. 3:15-16)**

In marriage, _____ is more important than _____.

The purpose of marriage is the _____. I know that sounds like "hyper-spiritual church kind of stuff." Don't miss the significance of what is being said in this. **(Rm. 11:36)**

In the way we do whatever we do in life, whether it is our hobbies or work or friendships or even marriage, we are to demonstrate that our _____ is the glory of God.

God is to be _____. Your spouse was never intended to be the one. Your spouse was intended to be _____. **(Mt. 22:37-39)**

From knowing and _____ to God who alone can meet our deep need (the need for security, identity, acceptance and purpose), from there we go to others and are able to give and receive love in a relationship.

To have a marriage that is both lasting and life giving, we must make sure the right _____ is number _____.

Pursuing marriage more than pursuing God is sinful. Pursuing my spouse more than pursuing God is sinful. It is _____.

The answer to the needs of our lives isn't a guy or gal (or, if you're married, a different guy or gal). The answer to the deep needs of our heart will only come from pursuing – drawing near – loving first and foremost – _____.

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