Sermon Questions 1 Peter 3:1-7

This week we opened God's Word and studied God's purpose for marriage. Since God is the one that designed gender, instituted marriage and provided instructions it's essential that we learn from Him. If we heed His wisdom we can enjoy the gift that God provided. Because everyone can learn to grow in their understanding of marriage and because the world provides a false picture, hearing and obeying God's Word is the only way to experience the blessings in marriage.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Spirit-Filled Spouses
1 Peter 3:1-7

Intro...

God designed gender God instituted marriage God provided instructions

Wives...

Relinquish control of your husband (1-2) Reverence your character (3-4) Respect your husband (5-8)

Husbands...

Preference your wife (7b) Protect your wife (7b) Pray with your wife (7c)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it here. After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email to info@bravechurch.co and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

1. Who designed gender? How many genders are there? Why is it essential that we understand God's purpose for gender? Why are these questions so offensive to some people?

- 2. Who designed marriage? What was God's purpose for designing marriage? How does God's design for marriage differ from the world's understanding?
- 3. What are some of the instructions God provided for marriage? How do some of His instructions differ from worldly ideas? Compare and contrast the difference in outcomes of marriage done God's way versus the world's way? Which way do you want to choose?
- 4. What does it mean for wives to relinquish control of their husband? Why is this so difficult? What is the result for the wife who does? What is the result for the wife who refuses?
- 5. Why should a wife reverence her own character? Why is her character primary to her marriage? What does the world tell a wife to champion? Why? How do wives struggle to reverence their character? What are some things a wife can do that would grow your character?
- 6. What does it mean for a wife to respect her husband? How can she do that? How important is this for a strong marriage? What are ways that wives do not respect their husbands?
- 7. What does it mean for a husband to preference his wife? What are tangible ways that a husband can preference His wife? Why is preferencing a wife so important in a marriage? Why is that difficult for some husbands?
- 8. How can a husband protect his wife? Why should a husband protect his wife? What does it mean that the wife is "someone weaker, since she is a woman?" How was the analogy of the plastic cups versus the wine glass helpful?
- 9. Why should husbands pray with their wives? What results from a marriage that is not aligned God's way? Why do some husbands have difficulty praying with their wives? How can wives help? How can married couples pray?
- 10. What role does the Holy Spirit play in the marriage? How important is the role of the Holy Spirit? How essential is humility to the Holy Spirit's work? How can spouses trust the Holy Spirit more? Which spouse should start implementing God's Word in the marriage?
- 11. As a single, what can you do now to prepare to be a great spouse? What are specific ways you must live now to attract the spouse you want? What are your biggest take-a-ways from the message?
- 12. As a husband or wife, how does God want you to implement His Word into your marriage? What difference will that make?