

Moving Forward in Faithfulness

Biblical Marriage

Marriage by God's Design

is a covenant, a sacred bond between a man and a woman instituted by and publicly entered into before God.

God's plan for the marriage covenant involves at least the follow four, vital principles:

a. The Permanence of Marriage

- i. Matthew 19:3-9
- ii. Malachi 2:10-16
- iii. Rev. 19:6-9

b. The Sacredness of Marriage

- i. Genesis 2:22 – not merely a human agreement
- ii. Matthew 19:6 – what God has joined together
- iii. Ephesians 5:22-33 – picture of Christ and the church

c. The Intimacy of Marriage

- i. Genesis 2:23-25
- ii. 1 Corinthians 7:1-2
- iii. Proverbs 4
- iv. Proverbs 5
- v. Proverbs 6:27-29, 32-33
- vi. Proverbs 7

d. The Mutuality of Marriage

- i. Ephesians 5:25-30
- ii. 1 Peter 3:1-7

