



Strengthen Your Marriage

Interactive Outline

Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

June 22, 2014

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5:22-25

Speaker: Adam Pogue

1) Take Divorce Off The Table

A. God Hates Divorce (Malachi 2:16, Hebrews 13:4)

- 1) What about Jesus' words in Matthew 5 & 19?
 - *Adultery* is the exception & an option, not a command.
 - Even if *adultery* is involved God still hates divorce.
- 2) Marriage should be for life. (Romans 7:2-3)
- 3) Divorce without remarriage is not God's will. (Ephesians 5:22, 25)

B. How To Take Divorce Off The Table?

- 1) Resolve Conflicts (Ephesians 4:26)
- 2) Forgive One Another (Ephesians 4:32)
- 3) Never let the "D" word come out of your mouth!

Notes:

2) Spouse First Mentality

A. Have an Ephesians 5 Heart

B. Show Appreciation (Proverbs 18:22)

- 1) Find his/her "love language"

C. Respect Your Spouse (1 Peter 3:1, 7)

- 1) Be an Attentive Listener
- 2) Make Eye Contact
- 3) Be Willing To Help

Notes:

3) Avoid Hurtful Words

A. Strive to Remove the Deadly Poison (James 3:3-8)

- 1) Remove the words "always" & "never"
- 2) Don't set "fires" during a fight
- 3) Do not compare to another spouse or your family
- 4) Watch compliments regarding the opposite sex

B. Edify Your Spouse (Ephesians 4:29-32)

Notes:

4) Be Willing To Work

A. "...what God has joined together, let not man separate." (Matthew 19:6)

- 1) Start with yourself
- 2) Be honest with one another
- 3) Be ready to change as needed to "not separate"

B. Have a Christ Like Attitude (Philippians 2:3-8)

What must I do to be saved?

Hear: Romans 10:17, Acts 2:37. **Believe:** Hebrews 11:6, Acts 18:8. **Repent:** Matthew 4:17, Acts 17:30-31.

Confess: Mat. 10:32-33, John 11:25-27. **Be Baptized:** Mat. 28:19, Acts 2:38, 1 Peter 3:21.