

The Joy of Family
Part 2
The Holiness of Happy Lovers

Proverbs 5:18-19

Introduction:

The Joy of Family:

Last Sunday - God's Self-Portrait

This Evening - The Holiness of Happy Lovers

June 14 - Parenting with the Father's Pleasure

June 21 - A Hopeful Vision: *Seven Lessons I Learned from My Dad about Family Life*

I. The Call to Intoxicating Romance

A. The *Purity* of Passion - Genesis 2:24-25, Hebrews 13:4, Song of Solomon

B. The *Passion* of Purity - Proverbs 5:18-19, 1 Corinthians 7:2-5, Ephesians 5:28-30

II. The Context of Intoxicating Romance

A. **Constant** Conversation

1 Peter 3:7

B. **Called** - **Apart** Connection

S of S 2:10 - "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away."

C. **Crafted** Communication

Adam/Solomon/God

III. The Climate of Intoxicating Romance

A. Deep **Affection**

B. Devoted (even distracted) **Attention**

Fly Bold Banners!

Proverbs 5:18-19

18 Let your fountain be blessed,
And rejoice with the wife of your youth.
19 As a loving deer and a graceful doe,
Let her breasts satisfy you at all times;
And always be enraptured with her love.

Genesis 2:24-25

24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. 25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

Hebrews 13:4

4 Marriage is honorable among all, and the marriage bed undefiled

1 Corinthians 7:2-5

2 Nevertheless, because of sexual immorality, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband. 3 Let the husband render to his wife the affection due her, and likewise also the wife to her husband. 4 The wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband does. And likewise the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife does. 5 Do not deprive one another except with consent for a time, that you may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again so that Satan does not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.

Ephesians 5:28-32

28 So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. 30 For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. 31 "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." 32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

1 Peter 3:7

7 Husbands, likewise, dwell with them with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered.