

Song of Solomon

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UHBC Wednesday Night Men's Bible Study

Lesson Eleven

The Art of Commitment, Part I

BASED ON SOS 8:4-9

INTRODUCTION

What percentage of today's marriages begin with the thought, "Divorce is not an option"? Why has it changed over time?

EXPLORATION

1. "To love and to hold from the day forward, for better or worse, for richer or poorer, in sickness and in health, to love, honor and cherish, forsaking all others to keep you only unto myself so long as we both shall live. In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit." What does this mean?
2. "Thou shall not take the name of the Lord Thy God in vain." The two areas that Tommy mentions are: c_____ ; not k_____ your w_____.
3. What is an oath?
4. "God made them male and God made the female and what God joins together, no human may separate." What does this mean?
5. "If she is a wall, we shall build on her a battlement of silver." What does this mean?
6. From 1990 to 1980, the divorce rate rose _____%?
7. Is your loving treatment of your mate of a higher ratio than that of your saying, "I'm sorry"?
How can you improve this ratio?
8. "Your mother was in labor with you, there she was in labor and gave you birth." According to Tommy, how does this verse apply to you and your mate?
9. "Put me like a seal over your heart, like a seal on your arm." What does she mean?

10. What does a seal portray?
11. For love is as strong as death, Jealousy as severe as Sheol.” What does this mean?
12. Why is love permanent?
13. It flashes of flashes of fire, the very flam of Jehovah.” What does this mean?
14. Many waters cannot quench love, Nor will rivers overflow it.” What does this mean?
What might be in your marriage that could quench your love?
15. What is the story of Hosea and the story of the love he has for his wife? How can your love be more like this?
16. “If a man were to give all the riches of his house for love, it would be utterly despised” means do not marry/date another just for their money. What are the pitfalls of marrying/dating someone just for their money?
17. If Christ only loved you for your money/material things, how would this affect you?
18. “If she is a wall, we shall build on her a battlement of silver” means she is closed off to mean sexually. She is not immoral. She will not sell out her virginity. How could a daughter become this type of woman?
19. A girl is ready to be married when she is willing to stay single before she will disobey God.” How could this statement affect some people’s lives?

APPLICATION

How would you like to become more like this SoS couple?

Let your “yes” mean yes and your “no” mean no.

Consequently they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate. Matt 19:6