



SERMON NOTES

Title: Secrets of a Satisfying Marriage

Text: Ephesians 1:19-20

Topic: God's Power

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"How tremendous is the power available to us who believe in God ... the same power demonstrated when Christ was raised from the dead." Eph. 1:19-20 (Ph)

All relationships have the same three basic stress points: 1.

Unexpected_____. 2. Unmet _____. 3. Un-forgiven _____.

God wants to give you power to...

1. _____ YOUR DIFFERENCES

If you're going to have a successful, satisfying marriage you have to become

a _____.

"No one can really know what anyone else is thinking or what he is really like, except that person himself/herself." I Cor. 2:11.

_____ attract!

Maturity is when you realize that _____ aren't right or wrong.

The greater your differences, the greater your _____ for growth.

The area where our differences are most problematic is in how we _____.

What a man says tends to reflect what he_____.

What a woman says tends to reflect what she _____.

"Homes are built on the foundation of wisdom and understanding." Proverbs. 24:3

2. _____ YOUR WIFE'S/HUSBAND'S _____

"The man should fulfill his duty as a husband and the woman should fulfill her duty as a wife, and each should satisfy the other's needs." I Corinthians 7:3

Husbands typically don't have a problem _____ their wives what their needs are. Wives don't want to have to _____ their husbands what their needs are.

"Look out for each other's interests, not just for your own." Philippians 2:4

The root problem in marriage is _____.

In our world today there's not enough _____ for all our options.

"God, who is at work within you, will give you the will and the power to achieve his purpose." Philippians 2:13

3. _____ YOUR WIFE'S/HUSBAND'S _____

The laws of reality: 1. You married an _____ person. 2. You're _____ yourself.

_____ kills the spirit of a marriage. *"It is better to dwell in a desert than with a quarrelsome and nagging mate." Prov. 21:19*

"Let there be no more bitter resentment or anger, no more shouting or slander, and let there be no bad feelings of any kind among you." Ephesians 4:31. (Ph)

How do you deal with hurt? *"Be gentle and ready to forgive; never hold grudges. Remember the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others." Colossians 3:13 (LB)*

The grass is not greener on the other side of the fence. The grass is greener

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