Gender, Sex and Marriage: A Biblical Perspective – Week 3

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"Teach me your way, O Lord, I will walk in your truth."

-Psalm 86:11

Start With God's Truth

"Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love. . ."

-Ephesians 4:14-15

Marriage Is Between A Man And A Woman

"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh."

-Genesis 2:24

Sex Is Confined By Marriage

"Marriage should be honored by all and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and the sexually immoral."

-Hebrews 13:4

Because of God's Truth. . .

- . . . Marriage Is Not Ours To Define
- ... Sex Can't Be Used Carelessly
  - -Creates a deep intimacy

"Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, 'The two will become one flesh.'"

-1 Corinthians 6:16

-Makes another human in God's image

"Has not God made them one? In flesh and in spirit they are his. And why one? Because he was seeking Godly offspring."

-Malachi 2:15

- ... It's Not About Love
- ... We Can Be Confident

"And the Lord's servant must not quarrel; instead he must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful." -2 Tim. 2:24

Why Is This Such A Big Deal?

"'Haven't you read, he replied, 'that at the beginning the Creator "made them male and female," and said, "for this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. . .""

-Matthew 19:5-6a

"Therefore, what God has joined together, let man not separate."

-Matthew 19:6b

"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh."

-Ephesians 5:31

"This is a profound mystery – but I am talking about Christ and the church."

-Ephesians 5:32