

Sweet Intimacy

WARNING! Parts of this sermon will be rated PG-13!

- I will use terms that are unfortunately not usually associated with church.
- I'm sick of the world owning, (and perverting!), what belongs to God!

God has a special design for marriage! Genesis 2:18-25

- Leave parents, joined inseparably to each other, then become one flesh.
- Being one is ultimately expressed in having sex. I Corinthians 6:16
- Being one is much more than having sex, it is intimacy at every level.

Intimacy...

a close, familiar, and usually affectionate or loving personal relationship with another person or group. [from dictionary.com]

God wants oneness, intimacy, at the...

- Spiritual level. II Corinthians 6:14-15
 - God wants us to be spiritually compatible!
 - God does not want a believer to purposely marry a non-believer!
- Soul level, which includes the mind, the emotions, and the will.
Ecclesiastes 4:9-12; Philippians 2:1-4
 - Before sexual intercourse comes soul intercourse!
- Sexual level. I Corinthians 7:1-5;
 - God honors marriage and sex in marriage! Hebrews 13:4a
 - Sex outside of marriage is taken very seriously by God!
I Corinthians 6:16-20; Hebrews 13:4b

Some "take-aways"...

- Husbands, initiate intimacy! Ephesians 5:28-31; I Peter 3:7
- Wives, respectfully respond! Ephesians 5:33
- Singles, remain celibate until marriage!
- Married people, avoid emotional and sexual adultery!
- Widows, be intimate with Jesus! I Timothy 5:3-6
- Intimacy God's way is sweet!
- Sweet Intimacy can only come out of oneness with God!