

“When Sinners Say ‘I DO’”

A look at Marriage (4)

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Text: Colossians 3:12-19

“¹²Put on then, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. ¹⁸Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. ¹⁹Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them.”

Marriage can be a holy place, the site of a relationship that proclaims God’s love to the world. It is intended that marriage bring glory to God by echoing the relationship of love between Christ and the Church – His bride.

So often, however, it’s not.....

The Bible says, *“There is not a righteous man on earth who does what is right and never sins.”* (Ecclesiastes 7:20)
Sin in marriage – on the part of both spouses – is a daily reality.

Q. – What pieces blend together to form a godly marriage?

MARRIAGE that God intended is....GRACE-BASED

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