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WISDOM SPEAKS ABOUT ADULTERY

(Proverbs 5:1-23)

- I. The _____ of adultery (vs. 1-6).
 - A. He encourages us to have _____ because of the end result of adultery.

- B. Solomon reveals that the temptation will not be an easy one to defeat because it sounds _____.
 - 1. Using a woman as the source of temptation, knowing that men can be as well, he says her words sound _____.
 - 2. She is _____ talking.
- C. Generally those that commit this sin are searching for some type _____ about themselves.
- D. The one doing the tempting talks a good game and makes it sound really worth the _____.
- E. However, the pain of adultery is that _____ awaits the one that commits this sin.
 - 1. Though sounding good, it is really like wormwood, which is a _____ drink.
 - 2. The path of the tempter leads straight to _____.

II. The _____ of adultery (vs. 7-14).

- A. It can cost us our _____.
 - 1. He starts out by pleading with us to stay away from the _____.
 - 2. He then says that it will cost us _____ (vs. 9a, 10).
- B. It can cost us our physical _____.
- C. It can cost us our mental _____.
 - 1. When you think of the _____ it causes your spouse and children you will be greatly bothered by it.
 - 2. Your _____ will eat away at your peace of mind.
- D. It can cost your _____.

III. The _____ of adultery (vs. 15-23).

- A. Love your _____.
 - 1. One's true character is _____ by immorality.
 - 2. If they will commit adultery _____ you, they will be willing to commit adultery _____ you.
- B. Love your _____.
 - 1. God is going to _____ adulterers (Hebrews 13:4).
 - 2. It is much better to love God and be _____ to Him.
 - 3. He _____ for those who are loyal to Him (2 Chronicles 16:9; Matthew 22:37).

THE SACREDNESS OF MARRIAGE

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Marriage is as old as the human race. God saw that it was not good for man to be alone, thus, in

His benevolent love, He made woman to provide suitable companionship (Genesis 2:18), and brought her to the man (Genesis 2:22). there can be no doubt that God intended for man and woman to marry for He said "For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave unto his wife, and they shall become one flesh" (Genesis 2:24).

Marriage did not originate with man, nor is it merely a social custom. Rather, the marriage relationship was instituted by God. He "officiated" at the first marriage. He continues to "officiate" at every scriptural marriage. (Note: Not all marriages recognized by society are approved by God.) In marriage God joins together and Jesus instructs: "Whatsoever God hath joined together, let not man put asunder" (Matthew 19:6).

Marriage is to be held in honor. Though feminists, humanists, and others of such ilk would disparage and show disrespect to the divinely instituted relationship of marriage, God enjoins, "Let marriage be had in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled" and then quickly warns, "for fornicators and adulterers God will judge" (Hebrews 13:4).

Marriage is [to be] permanent. "Until death do us part," or "so long as you both shall live" may seem obsolete or be "mere ritual" in the thinking of some, but the divine testimony emphasizes the permanence of marriage. "For the woman that hath a husband is bound by the law to the husband while he liveth; but if the husband die, she is discharged from the law of the husband. So then if, while the husband liveth, she be joined to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if the husband die, she is free from the law, so that she is no adulteress, though she be joined to another man" (Romans 7:2-3). Our society today languishes under the poisonous fruit borne by its own permissive attitude which grants divorce for any cause and attempts to substitute so-called "meaningful relationships" for the divine arrangement. The marriage relationship, entailing certain privileges and imposing certain responsibilities, has been recognized by every society since the beginning of time. No society has been without some form of ceremony accompanying and celebrating entrance upon the marriage union. It seems tragic that so often, in our society, more emphasis and planning go into the "momentary" ceremony than into the "permanent" relationship.

Marriage is ordained of God for man's happiness and general well-being. Man and woman complement each other in God's arrangement. Marriage is the only "meaningful relationship" in which the sexual desires and needs of humanity may be legitimately fulfilled.

Wouldn't it be great if we could somehow educate people regarding what the Bible teaches concerning the sacredness of marriage, and then motivate them to personally apply the biblical principles which were designed to regulate marriage?