

A Christ-centered Relationship

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Start talking.

- Describe your perfect #relationshipgoal date.

Start thinking.

- Why is social media not a good source for relationship goals?
- In Genesis 1:26-30, God gave Adam and Eve a purpose for their partnership. What was the purpose of God for their marriage partnership?
- Genesis 1:28 begins with “God blessed them” to pursue their purpose. What pursuits are you currently running after that don’t seem to be fruitful? What do you think are the reasons for the lack of blessing in your current pursuits?
- Pastor mentioned that happiness is a feeble foundation for any relationship because happiness is merely an emotion, and emotions are fickle. Name some pursuits you ran after because of a feeling. What lessons have you learned from it?
- The foundation of a purpose-driven relationship isn’t happiness. It’s unity. What makes unity a better foundation to a purpose-driven relationship?
- If you’re in a relationship: How can you strengthen your unity as a couple? If you’re single: What are ways you can experience unity with others in pursuit of your purpose?
- For couples: Pastor encouraged us to:
 - A) Know God deeply together. Name some ways through which you can start growing in Christ together.
 - B) See life together through the same lens. What areas do you disagree on? How can we make the Word of God, the Bible, the lens we see life through?
 - C) Be one in your purpose and pursue it together. Pastor gave us five purpose to pursue.
 1. A marriage that glorifies God Purpose. How can you enhance your life of worship as a couple?
 2. A marriage that reflects God’s love. Read Ephesians 5:21-28. How can you love and submit to each other better?
 3. A marriage that grows in God’s family. How can you grow commitment to the whole family of God?
 4. A marriage that serves God. Think of ways you can serve God together beginning this week?
 5. A marriage that point others to God. Think of and pray for other couples whom God wants you to invite to church/share the Gospel with.
- For singles: Pastor encouraged us to:
 - A. The best way to have a Christ-centered, purpose-driven relationship in the future is by choosing to be Christ centered and purpose driven now. What are some things you should do to make Christ central in your life and be purposeful in living?
 - B. The perfect person for you will be someone who is trying to love and know God just as deeply as you are. Describe how you pursue a relationship now. What views about finding a partner does God want you to change to make it more Christ-honoring?
 - C. Read 2 Corinthians 6:14. Why does the Bible encourage us to find someone who is a strong follower of Jesus?

Start applying.

- What is something that has been divisive for you in your marriage?
If you’re single, what areas have you been distracted in (and what distracted you)?
- If you’re in a relationship, how are you already mission-driven? How could you be more unified?
If you’re single: what are some ways that you can be firm in God’s purposes for you?
- If you’re in a relationship: how can you pursue the mission God has given you together better?
If you’re single: how can you pursue God’s purpose for you and where can you find/who are the best people to support you in your purpose?

Start praying.

- Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.