

## THE OUTLINE

### PART 1

#### MAKE YOUR TOP PRIORITIES YOUR PRIORITY

#### CONFUSED PRIORITIES

#### THREE DECISIONS:

1. A non-negotiable date night every week
2. Be out 3 nights a week
3. Veto power

#### THE PRIORITIES WE ALL BELIEVE...BUT STRUGGLE PUTTING INTO ACTION

- God
- Marriage
- Children/Grandchildren
- Vocation

*The key is not to prioritize what's on your schedule, but to schedule your priorities*

**The Result:** Overcommitted and under-connected

“If the devil can’t make you bad, he will make you busy.”

- Crisis Mode Living and Marriage

**The Definition of Insanity:** Doing the same thing over and over again and hoping for a different result.

## | REPAIR THE PAST

- Be ruthlessly honest about your own brokenness

- Focus on your stuff, not his/hers

- “If the tooth is infected, pull it.”

- Seek forgiveness/give forgiveness

## THE GOAL: THE EPHESIANS 5:21 MARRIAGE

*"Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ." Ephesians 5:21*

- Am I a servant lover or a selfish lover?

## FOUR QUESTIONS

- What is right about our marriage?
- What is wrong about our marriage?
- What is confusing about our marriage?
- What is missing from our marriage?



## PERSONAL & GROUP REFLECTION

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#### REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

1. What makes it difficult for you to make your marriage a priority?
2. How does busyness affect your relationship?
3. In being “ruthlessly honest” about your own brokenness, what keeps you from a deeper intimacy with your spouse?
4. If you were going to create a goal for your marriage, what would it be?
5. Which of the above four questions give you the most insight to your relationship? Why?