

# Pre-Marital Counseling—for Married People!

## *Application Questions*

1. Define the purpose of marriage as the author presents its purpose. In what ways does this definition differ from your understanding prior to reading this article (p. 62)?
2. Speak to the different ways that you are “actively, functionally, and practically devoted to Christ”? What relationship does this have with your earthly marriage (p. 64)?
3. What is to be our primary motivator in life according to 2 Corinthians 5:14-15 (p. 64)? What is most at odds with this? What is to be the fuel for this motivation?
4. When marriage is marked by a deep commitment to the “Almighty ME”, what is the effect?
5. What is the deeper drama that is taking place in your marriage throughout every situation and conversation according to 2 Corinthians 11:3 (p. 65)?
6. Since strong desires shape our lives, what desires in your life may have taken greater priority such that they have functionally replaced Christ as your first love?
7. Summarize the article in 2-3 sentences.