

Message Notes | Relationship Goals

Part 2: Christ Focused

Matthew 6:28-33

→ the right foundation is the most important part

→ people's perception of marriage

#1 There's a certain weight your spouse was not created to carry.

→ how will my needs be met? - **vs. 25-32, Philippians 4:19**

#2 The cross is the place where all our greatest needs were met.

→ acceptance, comfort, respect, security

#3 The best spouse can't give you what Jesus has given you. The worst spouse can't take it away.

→ God is your One. Your spouse is your two. - **vs. 33**

#4 {Relationship Goal} **We will have a marriage where we keep Jesus first and each other second.**

→ Pray together daily.

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1. Statistics tell us that the majority of married people would label their marriage "unhappy." Why do you think that is?
2. Keller proposes that when we view marriage as primarily an avenue towards self-fulfillment, it puts a "crushing burden of expectation on our spouse." Do you agree? Explain.
3. How would you describe God's plan for the marriage relationship?
4. **Read Matthew 6:25-32a.** What is the main reason that worry occurs?
5. **Read Matthew 6:32b.** Describe the difference that the second part of vs. 32 makes for our worry and our lives.
6. "You are complete in Christ." What does that mean? (You can also refer to Colossians 2:10).

Share at least 3 specific ways that this truth affects your marriage. (or life)
7. **Read Matthew 6:33.** What will it look like for you to "seek God first" in your marriage? (If your single, what will it look like in your life?)
8. Relationship Goal: *We will have a marriage where we keep Jesus first and each other second.*

What will praying daily look like in your marriage (life)? What obstacles do you foresee? How can they be overcome?