## Reviving Romance by the Spirit

Have a great marriage to please God and excite all other parties!

#### Why?

- Neither the church nor you can prosper without it.
- Some of you are getting away for such a revival.
- The Holy Spirit is grieved with less than the best.
- Marital coldness or strife is foolish, sinful, hurtful.
- Marriage as a partnership of duty is ridiculous.
- Marital romance is for God's best in your life!

Beloved, let us love one another: for <u>love is of God</u>; and every one that loveth is born of God, <u>and</u> knoweth God.

1 John 4:7

### He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

1 John 4:8

No man hath seen God at any time. <u>If</u> we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

I John 4:12

Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

I John 4:13

What kind of a person asks,

Who is my brother?

Let's start with the closest and dearest "brother" you have.

Okay?

### Your Spouse!

### Doesn't the Bible call marriage,

Leading about a "sister"?

But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

I John 3:17

My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; <u>but in</u> deed and in truth.

I John 3:18

And hereby we know that we are of the truth, <u>and shall assure our</u> hearts before him.

I John 3:19

Are you able to see that love is the measure of your life by His Spirit?

### Starting with marital love?

Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for that is thy portion in this life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun.

**Ecclesiastes 9:9** 

Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love.

**Proverbs 5:19** 

### Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for <u>I am sick of love</u>.

**Song of Solomon 2:5** 

# My beloved put in his hand by the hole of the door, and my bowels were moved for him.

**Song of Solomon 5:4** 

### Do you know verb moods?

Indicative = Fact stated
Imperative = Order to do
Subjunctive = Doubtful

The verses to the men are imperative mood.

God commands love!

The verses to the women are indicative mood.

A perfect wife does it.

Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave: the coals thereof are coals of fire, which hath a most vehement flame.

**Song of Solomon 8:6** 

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.

**Song of Solomon 8:7** 

Is complimentary, not critical, like you were always when dating!

Flushes all bitterness, for it is a wicked lack of total forgiveness!

Vulnerable to your spouse without any walls for protection!

Invests in the other as they desire or dream without expectations!

Your spouse is a priority that exceeds all other duties or persons!

Does not settle for status quo or simply the end of hostilities!

The excitement of the chase and conquest is you pursuing him/her!

Love is always and only a choice ... that those with the Spirit make!

Is what you did the first time ... and would do again to remarry!

It is pride, selfishness, laziness, bitterness, or revenge that withholds!

Is what a man does for a mistress, who is nothing compared to a wife!

Does not let marriage become so familiar to breed odiousness!

Secret service will take a bullet for a man that does not know them!

Knows alternatives are sin ... leaving emptiness, loneliness, pain, etc.!

A day is not a burden or chore ... but a privilege and opportunity!

Is consistently the same rather than moody or ruled by emotions!

Is desperate, diligent, eager, excited, creative to please a spouse!

Is doting, ravishing, reverential, sexual, sacrificial, obsessed!

Efforts by spouse are noticed, appreciated, praised, and returned!

Expectations and reservations will deny you love's feelings!

## First Works Work!

Compliments **Priority** Gifts **Appearance** Time Patient **Forgiveness** Creative Expense **Attentive** Compromising **Doting** Eager Pursuit **Bowels Passion** Obsession

Remember!
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Spirit that bears
real love in us!

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Those who are truly saved ...

will love others by His Spirit.

Loving others the way God expects ...

is by His mighty power in us.

Start with your spouse,
... the one you chose ...
the easiest one to love!

# For Further Study

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