



4 DATES 4 WEEKS

[DISCUSSION QUESTIONS]

We Are Together For Life, But Want More **January 31, 2021**

What advice would you give to a young couple thinking about marriage? What did you do that worked? What do you wish you had done differently?

What are some characteristics that are evident in a healthy, growing marriage? What are some characteristics you can identify as red flags in a relationship that is drifting?

Our relationship with God is mirrored in our marriage. We are constantly drifting or deciding. Do you agree with this statement? What impact does our faith have in the success of our marriages and in our relationships in general?

Ted talked about the importance of both exclusivity and intimacy in marriage. Talk through the importance of each. What happens to a marriage if it is missing one of these aspects?

Give some examples of a bid for connection. How does our response to the bid affect our partner? Why is this so important to understand?

Read Revelation 2:2-5

This scripture recognizes that the Church of Ephesus is doing many things right but challenges the church in one area. Where has the church fallen short? How does this relate to marriage?

For Couples:

That which was natural in the beginning must become intentional over time. Have you been more intentional over the last few weeks? Are you seeing a change in your connection to each other? Are there still obstacles you need to work around?

Ted gave us three steps to getting back on track when a marriage is in drift: Consider – Repent – Redo. As a couple, set aside some time this week to consider where you are. Really try to listen and learn without justifying. Then apologize for your mistakes and ask for a redo. Keep repeating. That's what it means to decide and be intentional.

Plan a romantic date for this week.