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## 4Dates 4Weeks

### Part 4 – Honoring the Differences of Men and Women

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Today we're jumping into honoring... or you could even say celebrating the differences, and I would add the word *created* differences between men and women. We live in a culture that wants to blur the lines or even nullify these differences. At this church, we celebrate them. We want to raise our children to embrace their biological sex and marry the opposite sex. So, as we talk about that as a church, today we are also talking about that in your marriage.

How can you honor one another better? Ladies, how can you honor your husband without trying to make him a woman? Can I get an amen on that one? And how can you honor your wife, men, without trying to make her the good buddy. How do we do that?

We start in Genesis 1: 27. This is the passage we looked at on week one that Jesus quotes in Matthew 19 when he is asked about divorce. He says, "Haven't you read?" And he goes back to the scripture. And we come back to this passage. This is the foundational scripture for so much that we teach on.

If you go back to this summer when we gave a message clearly preaching out against racism, you know it starts with the Imago Dei, the image of God in man. A year or so ago, we used this passage and talked about the image of God as we looked at immigrants. I know many of you are passionate about immigration policy, but let your faith lead out in that conversation that every immigrant who crosses our boarder, whether legally or illegally, is created in the image of God and has automatic, intrinsic value. When we talk about abortion, we go to this text because we believe every child is an image bearer of Almighty God, whether born or unborn.

Today, as we talk about the differences of men and women, we're going to see that husbands are image bearers, wives are image bearers, dads are image bearers, moms are image bearers, sons are image bearers, daughters are image bearers. Genesis 1 – ***27 So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.*** Then in Genesis 2, we read, "And the two become one flesh; a husband and wife for a lifetime."

This week, I read this from Moody Bible Institute Professor Christopher Yuan Modal. He says this about Genesis 1: 27. *“Being created in the image of God and being male or female are essential to being human.”*

Now I know this is part of my identity, but it’s not all of my identity, just like the fact that I’m a heterosexual. I don’t walk into parties and lead out with, “Hey, I’m Ted, I’m a heterosexual, thank you for having me here.” I don’t lead out with, “Hey, I’m Ted, I’m a male...” I want to be known, first and foremost, as a follower of Jesus Christ. That’s my primary identity as we’re talking about the male/female identity today.

*“Sex (male and female) is not simply biological or genetic, just as being human is not simply biological or genetic. Sex is first and foremost a spiritual and ontological reality created by God. Being male or female cannot be changed by human hands; sex is a category of God’s handiwork — his original and everlasting design. And he says, I refuse my psychology over my biology and, as a Christian, I refuse to put either above scripture. I am who God – who makes no mistakes – made me to be.”* – Christopher Yuan Modal

One of the things, as you work with couples in Marriage 911... And R.G. and Karen will tell you this. When you are working with couples, there is very low worth that they feel. They’ve been disrespected, dishonored for a period of time in marriage, they come in with *I have no value, I have no worth*. It’s been years of taking this treatment or not being cared for, protected, provided for... whatever the case may be. You get this sense of worthlessness.

Here’s what we want to talk about today. **Honor recognizes value, it does not set value.** In other words, there is nothing I can say to add value to you. There’s nothing I can say or do to take value away from you. I may dishonor you with my words, and when I dishonor you with my words, I’m not recognizing your value, but I’m definitely not setting it because God sets your value. And there is a spouse in here that needs to know that today. You came out of a terrible marriage and it was an ugly divorce. Names were called.

I’ve sat in plenty of meetings with couples where it’s like “You two are just mean. You are nasty towards each other.” I had to call one... They were dropping the F bomb on each other so much. I try to calm people down, but it was like for an hour. I’ll never forget one lady that got up, looked at her husband, and said, “Blank you!” And then she looked at me and said, “Thank you for meeting with us,” and walked out the door. I go, “I’ll give you a ride home,” and he goes, “I uh...” He lived in a far away place.

But you see this all the time. I just want the ex-husband and the ex-wife in here to know right now whatever was said about you, whatever was done to you, and things were said about you that were true and you haven’t confessed that or repented that yet... This is why we lead out with faith in Christ. Repent of your sins. Come to Christ. Know your value as someone created in the image of God. Honor, seize the immense value of your spouse created in the image of God.

Gary Smalley always liked to use the idea that you need to get up every day and look at your spouse as someone who has been personally autographed by God.

**Honor decides that your spouse is highly valuable, then looks for the evidence to back it up.** So, make the decision your spouse is valuable, even with all the differences that we are going to see today between the two of you, that you esteem one another as highly valuable. I always like to follow up after friends of mine go through marriage intensives. I have a friend at our church who went through one two weeks ago.

I just called him and said, “Hey, how did it go? What did you learn?” I love what he said because often, if I have a struggle and I go to a marriage intensive and you ask me what I learned, I might say, “Well, I learned some things that Amy... She needs to get her act together and I mean pretty quick.” Isn’t that what you get with a lot of couples? “She better straighten up her act, and stop saying this, and start doing this.”

I love what my friend said. It reminded me because I sometimes forget the struggle with worth that a couple feels when you meet with them. He said, “Do you know what I learned?” My friend is a pretty emotional guy. He said, “I was reminded that God made me this way. God created me this way and I need to learn how to balance it, and I need to learn how to not abuse someone else because of it and just use my wiring as an excuse to hurt. I don’t want to do that. But I was reminded of my value.”

Today, before we get into these differences and practical ways for you to honor one another, there are some of you that are going to go, “This doesn’t fit us. As he describes the man, that’s really me,” the wife will say. And Gary Smalley would say that this is true. Maybe 15% - 20% of the time, it’s going to be opposite in your marriage. Today we’re talking about gender differences, but you have personality differences, you have faith differences where you grew up in different denominations, you have political differences. You have all sorts of differences. Today, we’re talking about the gender differences and how God wired you and how we can honor that in one another, knowing that we annoy each other from time to time.

There is a couple that was part of our church for years, Nancy and Basil Ellis. I know that Basil is watching right now. They used to sit right in this area. They were greeters and they greeted a lot of you. If you’ve been at this church for any length of time, you were greeted by Basil or Nancy. Nancy went home to be with the Lord on Thanksgiving.

We’ve asked our widows and our widowers in the church, “If you could share one thing with a young couple, maybe a couple just starting out, what one thing would you share?” You haven’t seen the video yet from Pat Kershaw. When I texted her, who is in her 80s now, I said, “Pat, what one thing would you say to a young couple?” She said, “One thing?! There’s no way I can sum up one thing.”

Basil, I just want to say that we mourn with you and we have mourned with you and we love you. Thank you for sharing what we’re about to watch. My favorite line in the video is when he says, “Yeah, we annoyed each other, but I’d give anything to have her around to annoy me one more day.”

**[Video plays] Basil Ellis:** Hi, my name is Basil Ellis and my wife Nancy and I were married for 27 years. She passed away on Thanksgiving, 2020. To younger folks that are thinking about getting married or are married, just some thoughts for you. Of course, you’ve gotta show your appreciation to each other.

Nancy was so good at this. She used to be on Facebook and stuff. I used to get on her for building me up because I could never live up to how she made me appear. But that's just how she was.

Of course, you're going to get in arguments, we all do. Nobody is perfect. You always end up thinking, *I said some stuff I probably shouldn't have*. But things settle down and it was, without fail, the next morning, we would wake up, kiss each other, and it was a new day, the start of a new day, everything's was forgotten, you start over, and just took it from there; it was just part of life. Nobody is perfect and things happen. Everybody has their faults. There were things she did that would annoy me and I'm sure I annoyed the heck out of her at times too. But I will say, right now I'd give everything I have just to be annoyed one more day by her.

One thing I would advise the young folks out there is to get involved with the church. There is the welcoming committee you can get on. Nancy and I, for 8-10 years maybe, were welcoming people as they'd come in to get seated. It makes you feel like you're a part of it. It brought Nancy and I closer. If you're just watching online and you haven't found a church family yet, I advise you to do it. I was so lucky Nancy found this church because I was never a church goer and she found it and fell in love with it and got me interested to find the Lord. It was a blessing for me. I probably wouldn't have done it without her.

When we were going to move, she investigated, and she found a church down here before we even moved here. She found the one that she wanted to try and it's so much like Woodland Hills that we feel right at home. They've taken us in and have been a big help to me. It's such a comfort that Nancy is where she always wanted to be. It's hard on us left behind, but I'm so happy for her. And you guys can get there too.

**Ted Cunningham:** Would you help me thank Basil. I know he is watching.

As we talk about this, to go into two schools of thought when it comes to how the gender differences play into the gender roles... Really gender roles is another message, but we want to touch on it here because after the #MeToo movement and the #ChurchToo movement, **complementarianism teaches, and we hold to that here at this church, that God has given men the role of leadership in the home. Egalitarianism would teach that there are no roles in the home, there are no roles in the church.**

I have friends who are complementarians and I have friends who are egalitarians. It's sad to me, in this political climate that we're in, that it's hard to be a complementarian without being called a misogynist, and it's hard to be an egalitarian without being called a feminist. But we used to be able to have a conversation about these two schools of thought.

I have a friend who says that complementarianism leads to abuse. I said I don't think it's the system of theology that's the problem, it's the man that's the problem.

I read something from Pastor John Piper out of Minnesota this week. He just said this, *"The attempt by feminism to remedy male abuse of women by nullifying gender differences backfires and it produces millions of men that women cannot enjoy because of their unmanliness or cannot endure because of their distorted brutal manliness. In other words, if we don't teach boys and girls about the truth and*

*beauty and value of their differences and how to live them out, those differences do not mature in healthy ways but in dysfunctional ways. And a generation of young adults comes into being who simply do not know what it means to be a mature man or woman and the cultural price we pay for that is enormous."*

I believe this is how I hold to complementarianism: 1 Peter 3 says, **7 Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner...** It doesn't say the lesser partner. This isn't a statement of value because in the very next section, it says we're co-heirs in Christ. **...and as heirs...** men and women, husbands and wives. Treat her with respect as the weaker partner. And you can see I get a lot of brides that say, "You will not use this verse at my wedding." To which I say, "You will need to find another pastor." **...with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers.**

Complementarianism teaches that the husband should protect, provide, care for, and lay down his life for his wife. A man who abuses or neglects his wife violates God's law, and his plan and purpose for marriage. In such a case, the man, not the theology is the problem.

I meet a lot of ladies that say men are the problem. I know a lot of women's problems start with m-e-n. I know Menopause. Menstrual pain. Gynecology. Hysterectomy. So, I get it. I don't know why all that starts with the male emphasis, but I believe men are called...

We get this great word picture in the scripture. We've looked at them already. The man is called an **apple tree**. He's an apple tree and the Shulamite woman says of Solomon, "I delight to sit under his shade. I delight to enjoy his choice fruit," meaning she's protected, and he provides. The woman is called a rose or a lily. "And of all the lilies that he browses among, he's chosen me."

We get another great word picture. I've been challenging you with this. The gazelle, right? Or the young stag. Guys, it's time for us to take initiative. Pick her up for a date, bound over the hills, get to her, take initiative. And what is the Shulamite woman called? She is a dove. The gentle, tender dove. We get great word pictures from scriptures, talking about the differences of men and women.

The Apostle Paul says this in 1 Corinthians. Watch this. **11 Nevertheless, in the Lord woman is not independent of man, nor is man independent of woman. 12 For as woman came from man...** Remember she came from the side of man. Why? Because a woman comes alongside. Amy and I walk alongside each other through life. She didn't come from a bone in my head or a bone in my foot, so there is no dominance over her. That's not the word picture. It's come alongside. **...so also man is born of woman. But everything comes from God.**

What is Paul teaching here? He is teaching that men and women need each other and neither is elevated above the other before God. I think this theology works. We don't need to change scripture to go with the culture. We don't need to allow young people... "Hey, you identify with whatever makes you feel comfortable." No, we don't allow reason to drive the bus. We don't allow experience to drive the bus. We have scripture driving the bus, and we are co-heirs in Christ.

So, the goal today is **helping the husband understand his wife without becoming a woman**. We want him to step into – as I have talked and worked with couples – those tender moments. It doesn't mean you need to wear your heart on your sleeve, it doesn't mean you need to start crying. It's that you need to identify the tender moments that you have in conversation with your wife and not treat her like your good buddy. There is a different approach.

And in marriage, we also want to **help the wife connect with her husband without becoming a man**. How can she connect without being the good buddy? I know that I have friends in here... I'm looking at some of them. Men can be very sarcastic with one another... And we bond. I can't explain it and I'm not saying it's always right, but you watch a man slam another man and then they end up high fiving each other. You will never see women doing that. "Did you not spend enough time on your hair today?" You won't see women talking like that. But men do. I've learned I can't talk to my wife the way I talk to my buddies. This is all part of how God wired the brain.

Dr. Daniel Amen speaks at the American Association of Christian Counselors. He leads Amen Clinic, and he's done a lot of research around Alzheimer's, so he's an expert on studying brain scans. In the Journal of Alzheimer's Disease, one of the largest brain scan studies that was ever put out, he studied over 46,000 brain scans. He can tell by looking at a brain scan the difference between a male brain and a female brain immediately. People will ask is it nature or nurture? We start with you were created in the image of God, male and female, but, yes, the way you grow up and how you either embrace masculinity or the feminine side determines a lot. One such case out of the Hendricks Center for Christian Leadership says *While our biological sex traits (anatomy and physiology) are determined at birth, our sense of what it means to be male or female, masculine or feminine, develops through our family, culture, and experiences.*"

If you've ever been to a little kids' sports game... I love when you go and watch, and you see the little boys are just jumping and moving around the ball. They couldn't care less who they are with, they don't talk a bunch; they're just going after the ball. Then you'll see, in the middle of a great play, two girls standing to the side talking to each other. I know that two bad statements that we give little boys too often is "settle down" and "be safe." Mom's that has to be taken out of your vocabulary. This gets me in trouble, but schools tend to be geared toward the female brain.

I remember when I was a Watch Dog when Carson was in kindergarten. I was in the back of the room while the teacher – great teacher/great school – was reading a book on snowball fights to the class. The boys were in the back and the girls were in the front. The girls were listening to the story about the snowball fight, and the little boys were acting it out in the back. The teacher kept... And I know there is a time and a place; there was no snow on the ground, but do you think a little boy wants to read a story about a snowball fight or go have a snowball fight. The teacher kept saying, "settle down," over and over again.

So, yes, there is family, culture, experiences that begin to change us, but what we want to do now is look at some of these differences for the sole purpose of honor. How we can honor one another and how we can enter into the world of our spouse and how they think and how they feel without changing how God has wired you. This idea of nullifying the differences between men and women makes no sense.

It's knowing these differences, honoring these differences, so we can better care for one another in these differences.

The first major difference is **men tend to be objective**. That's why you saw men were storming the beaches of Normandy, and men in battle. **Women tend to be personal**. My friend Mark Gungor... If you've ever seen the Tale of Two Brains, he does a fantastic job talking about the differences between being objective and being personal.

When we have conversations, men are able to put everything into categories and in boxes. So, think about the male brain as a box with a bunch of little boxes. When you want to talk to us, ladies, please understand we've got a box for everything. We've got a box for the car, a box for the dog, a box for the kids – not for each kid, but one box for all the kids. We have a box for you, a box for your mother, somewhere in the basement. We've got a box for job. We've got all these boxes and...

I love how Mark says this. The rule is when you want to have a conversation with a man, because he's objective, you have to carefully let him take that box out because the rule is we are only allowed to talk about what's in that box. If we're talking about the car, we're talking about the car. When we're done talking about the car, we close the box. And this is another big rule: none of these boxes are allowed to touch. It's why men are slow in conversations. We're jumping from box to box. The biggest box in a man's brain is totally empty. It's his favorite box. It's where he spends a lot of time.

A woman's brain is very different (Ted pulls out a ball of tangled Christmas lights). This is almost an exact replica of a woman's brain. Why? Because everything is connected in a woman's brain. A man's brain is detached, right side and left side. A woman's brain is completely attached, and everything is open at any given time.

So, you come in the house and say, "Hey, honey, the check engine light is on." Well, the man is going to talk about the car.

The woman might say, "Well, I was with the kids and my mom called."

The man is like, "I don't want to talk about your mom, I don't want to talk about the kids, I want to know how long the engine light has been on."

A man wants to talk about facts. A woman wants to talk about emotions. The man will ask, "How long has it been on? How long have we had this problem?"

"Well, the kids had a rough day in math."

If you've ever wondered, a man is objective and wants to talk about what's in that one box and discuss the facts because he needs enough facts to make a solution and solve the problem. She is looking for understanding.

She's says, "No, let me explain to you what was going on with the kids."

“We’re not in the kids box right now.”

Look at the difference between men and women (this is Dr. Daniel Amen and over 46,000 brain scans). *The brains of women in the study were significantly active in many more areas of the brain than men, especially in the prefrontal cortex, involved with focus and impulse control, and the limbic or emotional areas of the brain, involved with mood and anxiety.*

It’s hardwired into us. This is why if you're ever talking to your husband and you see him engaged and listening and then he has a moment where it’s almost like a lightbulb goes off, it’s because he’s gotten enough facts to form the solution. But that’s not what she’s looking for. He’s wanting the basics and she wants to give details. Why does she want to give details? It’s because she loves watching Hallmark movies. And Hallmark movies wear me out because it’s so much detail. This is why men don’t read romance novels. Or they shouldn’t. Women probably shouldn’t either. But the details... She’s wanting to give details.

Guys, this is a key in communication. When you're processing whatever conversation is going on and you get the solution and you're going to give just enough... Because women get mad that men give the basics.

“How was your day at work?”

“It was good.”

“What did you do?”

You give basics and she wants details.

“I met with my boss.” That’s enough for a man.

“What did he say?”

“A lot.”

“Is he mad?”

Guys, we have to discipline ourselves. For a guy to step into a tender moment with his wife... You can form the solution. Don’t change how God wired you. But to honor and serve your wife, you stay connected. She wants details.

Years ago, Amy got on me because she goes, “You know, I get more details about your life from overhearing your phone calls with staff.” I go, “Well, it kind of kills two birds with one stone.” But guys, please hear me. She not looking for details to form solutions and get the facts and information. She wants details and understanding and emotions because she wants connection.

When we were first married, driving down the road, we'd drive through a construction zone and she'd go, "Hey, what are they doing right here?"

"Uh, I wasn't involved in any of the meetings on this project. I didn't see anything going on."

I hear that and I'm going well the only fact I have about this construction zone is that the sign back there said it should be completed sometime next fall. That's not what she wants to know. She wants to talk. Why? Because we haven't talked for the last 10-15 minutes in the car.

I'm in my nothing box and she's going, "Is there anything wrong?"

"Nothing's wrong."

Let me just give this to the young men in here getting ready to get married. When she starts asking you these questions and you are in your brain, knowing she's processing it from what Gary Smalley called the hidden marriage manual and you drive through a construction zone... It's a running joke after 25 years of marriage. She'll ask what they are doing, and I'll go, "I told them rip it up, boys. We're going 12 lanes, not six." If you want a great marriage, men, start making stuff up. It's so funny. I'll always get one Baptist walking down the front toward me going, "Did you encourage spouses to lie?" I'm like, "Easy, Karen. Just back it down a notch." This is the difference. This is how we are processing.

So, watch how this works. This is the last illustration, but I want to help the men in here. Again, this may not be you. You may have more of this from the woman's side and the woman may have more from of this from the man's side, and that's fine.

**How to get your wife to watch the Superbowl and root for the Chiefs.** There is way to do it and a way not to do it. With all of this, we're going to process how to do this. Here's how not to do it, guys. Starting with Pat Mahomes spent his rookie season as back up to Alex Smith. After Smith was traded to the Washington Football Team, Mahomes was named the starter and threw for (here we go with the facts) 5,097 yards, 50 touch downs, 12 interceptions. She doesn't care. Now some of you do. She couldn't care less about any of this. But men get excited about this, they go seeking this and they want it. But she's not into it.

You know what? Make stuff up. He was running his mouth in the third grade and he got kicked out of English. You're like *is that true?* I don't know; it doesn't matter because here's how you get her to watch. This works, by the way, with any sport: NASCAR, Baseball.

Here's how you do it. He was born on September 17, 1995, in Tyler, Texas. The parents of Pat and Randi Mahomes. Just start making up stuff. This is true. But then talk about his childhood. Talk about things he went through.

Amy will be watching the Super Bowl the entire night hoping to get a glimpse of Brittany. She will want the camera to scan over to Brittaney. After two seconds, Amy will tell you everything Brittany feels

about their relationship. His girlfriend from high school, Brittany Matthews, high school sweethearts, met in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade, they're engaged. This is how you do it. You make it personal.

NASCAR is probably the most boring sport on the planet for my wife to watch. She hates it. So, I just tell her something about number 17. They always show the families before. "I think there was something up between him and his wife. I couldn't tell." Then she'll be interested.

Ladies, if I can just share with you. Let him be who God wired him to be. He wants to fix the car. He wants to know that something broke and he'll get to it. Maybe not today, but in the next year or two, it's going to get done. Don't talk about hiring somebody; he's going to do it. He already fixed it in his mind, it's just not done on paper yet. Give him some time.

I think this is what happens. You begin to think, *Oh how I'm wired? There's something wrong*. Listen, guys, there's nothing wrong with how God wired you. Ladies, there is nothing wrong with how God wired you. And we get to understand these differences. Even if you have more traits from the opposite sex, it doesn't mean you need to change your biological sex. We can walk in this knowing that, yes, that's how we're born and yes it's how we're raised whether we're going to be that masculine or feminine, but understanding how this plays out in marriage.

That's why we've done the 4Dates4Weeks. We've been encouraging guys to pursue the lily and the dove, bounding over the mountains, splashing on the Old Spice, go and pick her up, get ready for the date, and now, hopefully, some ways that you can communicate better, understand one another better, and appreciate one another.

So, this week, again, you guys did a fantastic job. Most Romantic Date. Katie is going to come up and give the prize out for Most Romantic Date, which I believe is a couple's massage, which I would never do. I did it once with Amy, felt violated, and I'll never do another massage in my life. She chuckled at me the whole time. I wrapped up in a robe afterward and Amy comes over to me and I was like, "No, don't touch me." I hope the couple that won is excited about it.

**Katie Gumm:** So, we're excited. Most Romantic Date. There were a lot of good ones this week.

**Ted Cunningham:** There were. All of the three competition dates have been incredible.

**Katie Gumm:** I know. It has really spurred a lot of us on as far as dating and it's been just a lot of fun to watch. So, way to go, church. The couple that we're going to honor today with Most Romantic Date, they actually... They've been married 20 years and they renewed their vows this past week. Rhonda and Gary Hull.

**Ted Cunningham:** Gary, do you like couple's massages?

**Gary Hull:** I've never had one.

**Ted Cunningham:** He's never had a couple's massage.

**Katie Gumm:** Chateau on the Lake couple's massage

**Ted Cunningham:** Text me as soon as it's over; I am dying to know. Have your robe ready and just kind of walk over to the bathroom afterwards.

**Katie Gumm:** Oh... You're going to love it. Matt and I had a couple's massage; you're going to love it.

**Ted Cunningham:** Who doesn't like a massage? Wow, it's like me and seven people. I just hate when they want to talk to you during the massage. I'm not interested in talking to you right now.

**Katie Gumm:** You can request that, oh my goodness. Well, congratulations Rhonda and Gary. But their son Hunter actually officiated the service which is really precious, and all their backup singers and their kids were there.

**Ted Cunningham:** That is a family that has great backup singers. And that's what's been fun watching all the people do double dates, triple dates. There were life five or six couple going out backup singing and dating. That's awesome.

**Katie Gumm:** That's really awesome. It's been fun to see. So, church, we're excited that next Sunday, February 14, Valentine's Day, we are going to announce the grand prize winners of 4Dates4Weeks. Remember we're going to announce a married couple winner and a dating couple winner, so we're excited to do that. So, make sure, if you are participating in the challenge... This is super important. You need to go on and register your 4 dates with us. You can do that through the church center app or on our website, woodhill.org, and that page goes live today at 12:30. There will be a page there that says 4Dates4Weeks registration. You plug in all four dates you've done. This week will be date 4, so you can either tell us what you plan to do this week or wait until the end of the week and log it, either way.

**Ted Cunningham:** And go to Date Night Comedy. They may watch online so that counts for your date or your in person.

**Katie Gumm:** Yes. So, Date Night Comedy can qualify you as your date number 4 or something else of your choice as well, but, yes, the most important thing is you have to log it in the registration page so we can get you in the drawing to win. Make sure you do that. It goes live today at 12:30.

**Ted Cunningham:** I know we've got couples doing the competition from Florida, Arizona, so we're excited you're joining us as well.

**Katie Gumm:** Yes! It's going to be really exciting. We're going to draw here next Sunday, so this coming Saturday, 10:00pm is the cutoff so make sure you're registered by Saturday, 10:00pm so we can include you. We will announce the winners live on stage next Sunday. A very special guest will be here to announce that winner. We're looking forward to it. Church, we love you so much. Happy dating this week. We will see you next Sunday.

**Ted Cunningham:** Congratulations, Gary and Rhonda!