Explicit Lyrics – Extended Play

Weekend Discussion Questions May 31-June 1, 2008

Community:

- 1. What's the silliest argument you've ever been in with a boyfriend/girlfriend or husband/wife?
- 2. What causes most of your arguments?
- 3. How do you normally deal with conflict?

Core: (Read Song of Songs 7)

- 1. Jim said, "Conflict redefines your relationship for better or for worse". What does that mean?
- 2. How can conflict lead to "greater intimacy"?
- 3. How do we see greater intimacy coming through conflict in this song?
- 4. What underground conflict do you have in your current relationship?
- 5. What does it take for that conflict to be addressed? Why should it be?
- 6. Can you ever put your marriage on "cruise control"? What happens to any relationship when its neglected?
- 7. What are the biggest enemies of a healthy marriage?
- 8. Have you ever felt like you had men/women or your husband/wife figured out? When did you realize you didn't?
- 9. (Men) What has this song taught you about being a husband? What does it look like for a husband to serve his wife? Trust His wife? Initiate romance with your wife?
- 10. How is Jesus the example of what it looks like to love and serve your wife?
- 11. (Women) What has this song taught you about being a wife? What does it look like to put high priority on your husband? What does it look like to respect your husband? What does it look like to respond to your husband?
- 12. Jim said we should always be "stingy with criticism and generous with compliments". Is that good advice? Why or why not?

Challenge:

1. Jim challenged us by asking, "What's God telling you to do right now?" What has become clear through His word that you are supposed to do?