

Jack and Jill – What Did Jack and Jill Sign Up For?

Weekend Discussion Questions

February 2-3, 2013

Community:

1. Have you ever been to a wedding where you almost knew, “This isn’t going to last very long?” What were some of the signs that made you think that?

Core:

1. As we talk about marriage, there’s an old saying: “It’s better to be single and wish you were married than to be married and wish you were single.” What are some different reasons why this is true?
2. Jesus talks with some of the religious leaders of his time about marriage in Matthew 19:3-6. If we are just looking at that one section of what Jesus says about marriage, how does he describe marriage? What does he say is the goal of marriage?
3. At weddings, the couple will make promises to one another—we call them vows. And the vows are promises we make (when things are good) that we will still be true to the other person (when things are good or when they’re not). In even stronger language, “Your unfaithfulness will not affect my faithfulness.” Why is it important to make these promises in advance?
4. Paul writes about the standard for love within a marriage (and while he’s talking specifically to men, it could spill over to women as well). Read Ephesians 5:25. What different ways could husbands and wives love each other like Jesus loved the church?
5. Now read Ephesians 5:25 again, but this time read through verse 30. How would spouses love each other like they love themselves?
6. In verse 29, “feeds and cares for” could be summed up, “provides and protects.” What does it mean to provide for someone you love? How about protecting them?
7. Jim said: “Your marriage is to be a reflection of how Jesus loves you and how Jesus loves you needs to be reflected in your marriage.” How can this play out in your own marriage?
8. Let’s unpack the vows together. What does it mean to commit yourself to someone else “For better or worse”? “For richer or poorer”? “In sickness and in health”? “And be faithful to you as long as we both shall live”?

Challenge:

1. What is one way that Jesus has shown love to you that you can reflect to your spouse this week?



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