



# Romantically Inclined Week 5: Marriage

## **How to Use Talk It Over:**

This resource is to help you and your group discuss, in greater detail, the messages at Ax. The hope is for you to remember the content, read scripture, and discuss the application to your own life.

## Cameron's Main Idea:

Marriage is a God given gift. It is supposed to mirror the relationship of God and his Church.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- What is your marriage situation? (currently married, divorced, planning on marriage)
- Was there anything in the message that stood out to you as interesting, intriguing, or challenging?
- Why do you think God chose to use the marriage relationship as a picture for his relationship with the church?
- Why do you think so many people are getting divorce nowadays?
- Cameron mentioned that your standard of beauty is your spouse. How does that actually look when we apply it to our marriages?
- Monogamy isn't just physical, it is mental too. How do we keep ourselves from starting down the path of emotional adultery?

### **Read and Discuss:**

Ephesians 5:21-33

- What are ways that you have submitted to your spouse if you are married?
- Is there anything we can learn about God, the world around us, or ourselves from this verse?
- What do you think about the design of headship? What does our culture think?
- Does this verse bring conviction in your relationship? Why?
- Men: do you need to step up?

# **Next Steps:**

• Is there anything going on in your life right now that the rest of the subgroup or a small group of men or women could be praying for you?

# A Verse to Memorize:

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Ephesians 5:22 - "For wives, this means to submit to your husbands as to the Lord."

Ephesians 5:25 - "For husbands, this means to love your wives, just as Christ loved the church."

If you have any questions from this discussion or the message please email them to: info@axchurch.com.