

Silver Creek Fellowship NOTES

June 4

GOD'S DREAM FOR YOUR FAMILY

CREATING AN ATMOSPHERE WHERE KIDS CAN THRIVE

Proverbs 24:3 (GN) "Homes are built on the foundation of wisdom and understanding."

COMMON STAGES IN MARRIAGE:

STAGE 1: The Happy Honeymoon

Song of Solomon 2:2-5 (NIV) "Like a lily among thorns is my darling among the maidens. Like an apple tree among the trees of the forest, is my lover among the young men. I delight to sit in his shade and his fruit is sweet to my taste. He's taken me to the banquet hall and his banner over me is love. Strengthen me with raisins and refresh me with apples for I am faint with love."

Song of Solomon 2:8 (NIV) "Listen, my lover. Look! Here he comes leaping across the mountains bounding over the hills."

Song of Solomon 4:1 (NIV) "How beautiful you are, my darling! Oh, how beautiful!

Your eyes behind your veil are doves.

Your hair is like a flock of goats descending from Mount Gilead.

Your teeth are like a flock of sheep just shorn, coming up from the washing.

Each has its twin; not one of them is alone.

Your lips are like a scarlet ribbon; your mouth is lovely.

Your temples behind your veil are like the halves of a pomegranate.

Your neck is like the tower of David, built with elegance;"

- Intensity
- Idealism
- Indulgence
- Infatuation
- Ignorance

STAGE 2: The Party's Over

Proverbs 25:24 (NIV) "Better to live on a corner of the roof than share a house with a quarrelsome wife."

Proverbs 27:15-16 (NIV) *“A quarrelsome wife is like a constant dripping on a rainy day. Restraining her is like restraining the wind or grasping oil with the hand.”*

- Dullness
- Disagreements
- Defensiveness
- Disapproval
- Disappointment
- The inevitable result: **depression or divorce**

STAGE 3: Mature Love

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (NIV) *“Love is patient. Love is kind. It does not envy. It does not boast. It is not proud. It is not rude. It is not self seeking. It is not easily angered. Love keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices in the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes and always perseveres.”*

Tenderness

Respect & Responsibility

Understanding

Security

Truthful

How do I get from Stage #2 to Stage #3?

- Open Up

James 5:16 *“Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.”*

- Give Up

- Grow Up