



What the Bible says about Love, Marriage, and Sex by Dr. David Jeremiah and “Visionary Love Dream Sex” by Pastor Steven



Short overview of the last 4 meetings:



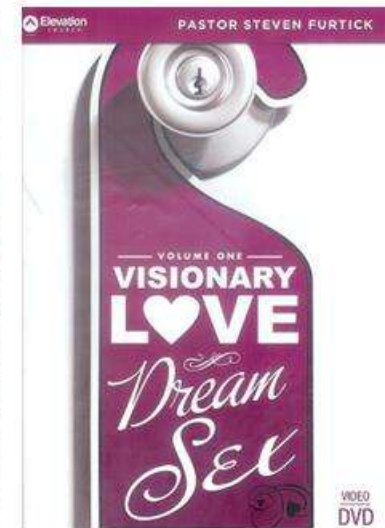
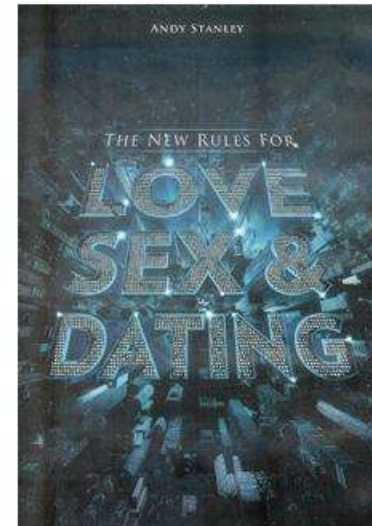
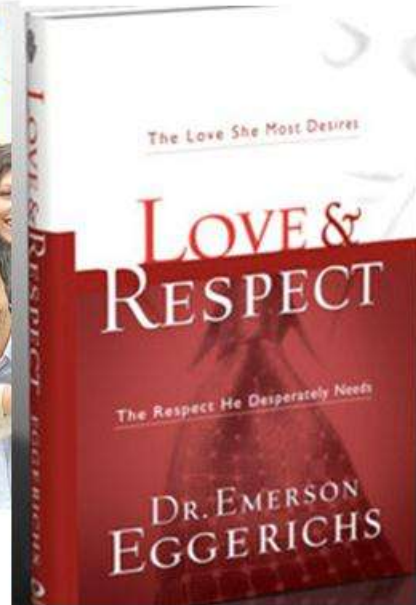
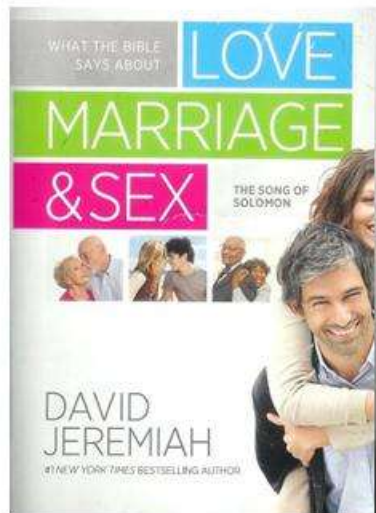
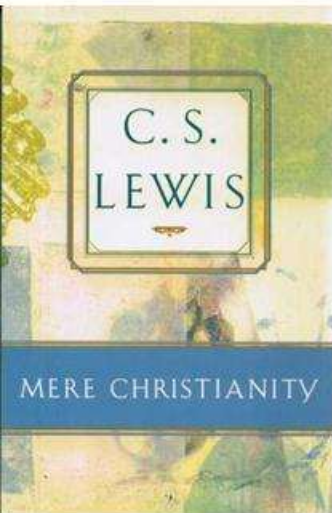
- Per Dr. David Jeremiah: **“Sex should not be an embarrassment to Godliness rather a reflection of it.”** “The Bible does not shy away from any topic that is common to human experience and neither should we. . . .”
- Do not arouse or awaken love until it so desires.
- Jonathan Acuff: “We associate all the fun and excitement and coolness of life with the world and leave God all the boring discipline-flavored moments. He’s like eating broccoli . We know it is good for us, but it’s still broccoli. But, that cannot be right. God is wild. He’s consistently saying, “Let’s go find cliffs to jump off of, “ and, I know exactly what you need, because guess what, I put that need there. ””
- Let myrrh drip from your lips and leave myrrh on your door handle.
- Going Nuclear: Does $C \gggggg > A + B$? When $C \ggggg$ the sum of the parts, it comes highly valued and worth defending. Love is not a 1 for 1 exchange - through Gods grace, the “C” becomes vastly bigger than the sum of the parts.
- “We realize those springs aren’t to flow and those gardens aren’t to be opened outside of marriage. But, to never mention its wonderful essential nature is like never acknowledging the beauty of a sunset .”
- It takes a lot of guts for a pastor to have a frank and honest discussion about the “lions and leopards” that reside within an intimate relationship. God can purge you and God can refresh you, and God can forgive you.



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There are three Greek words for love:

Agápe (ἀγάπη agápē means "love," such as in the term s'agapo (Σ'αγαπώ), which means "I love you." In Ancient Greek, it often refers to a general affection or deeper sense of "true love," See 1 Corinthians 13. Sacrificial love.

Éros (ἔρως érōs) is passionate love, with sensual desire and longing. The Modern Greek word "erotas" means "intimate love."

Philia (φιλία philía) means friendship or affectionate love in modern Greek. It is a dispassionate virtuous love, a concept developed by Aristotle. It includes loyalty to friends, family, and community, and requires virtue, equality and familiarity.



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Share an example where you observed a loving couple that outwardly exhibited all three forms of love Agápe, Éros, and Philia.

Do you think a relationship like this is even possible?



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Recite from memory:

Colossians 2: 6 and 7



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Colossians 2: 6 and 7: Spiritual Fullness in Christ

- So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.



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Show Video (30 min to min 45)



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Songs of Solomon Chapter 7

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Your graceful legs are like jewels,
the work of an artist's hands.
- 2 Your navel is a rounded goblet
that never lacks blended wine.
Your waist is a mound of wheat
encircled by lilies.
- 3 Your breasts are like two fawns,
like twin fawns of a gazelle.
- 4 Your neck is like an ivory tower.
Your eyes are the pools of Heshbon
by the gate of Bath Rabbim.
Your nose is like the tower of Lebanon
looking toward Damascus.
- 5 Your head crowns you like Mount Carmel.
Your hair is like royal tapestry;
the king is held captive by its tresses.
- 6 How beautiful you are and how pleasing,
my love, with your delights!
- 7 Your stature is like that of the palm,
and your breasts like clusters of fruit.
- 8 I said, “I will climb the palm tree;
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- Solomon is maturing as a lover starting from her feet.
- Only those he trusted were allowed to wear sandals. He trusts her and esteems her as royalty.
- eyes are the pools of Heshbon by the gate of Bath Rabbimz: A levitical city where priests would perform ceremonial cleansing. When I look into your eyes, It is a oasis of refreshment and fulfillment.
- Your nose is like a tower: Demasus was the seat of power for the Asyarians (the enemy of Israel). The watch towers protected Israel. Not about how big her nose is. He becomes a tower of defense. A tower of security.
- Mount Carmel: See 1 Kings 18:19: Confrontation between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. In the bible mentioned as an area of great beauty and fertility.



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Two Pastor Steven Classics:

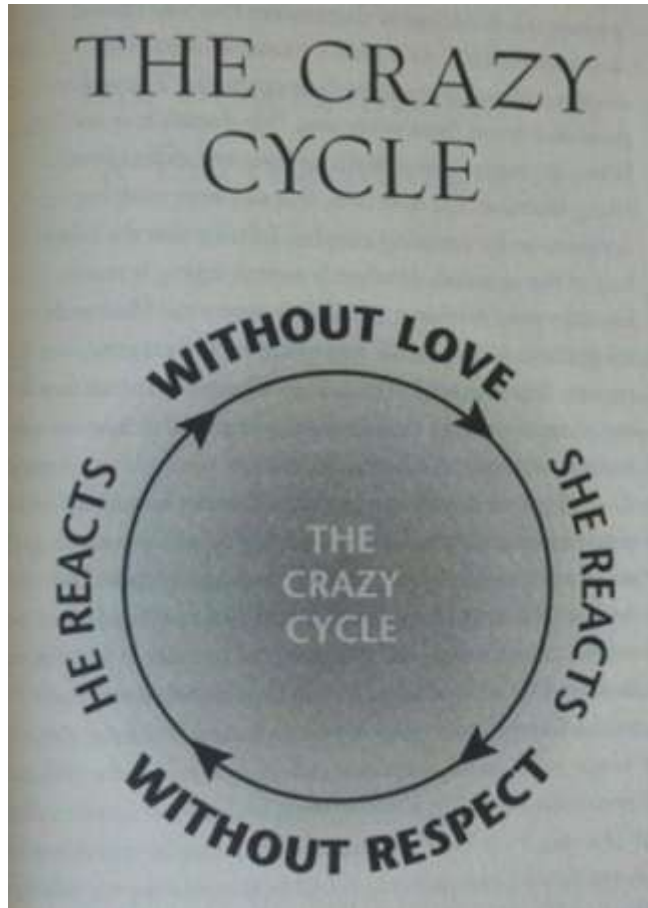
- To get what you never had, you must do what you never have done.
- To have once you once had, you must do what you once did.



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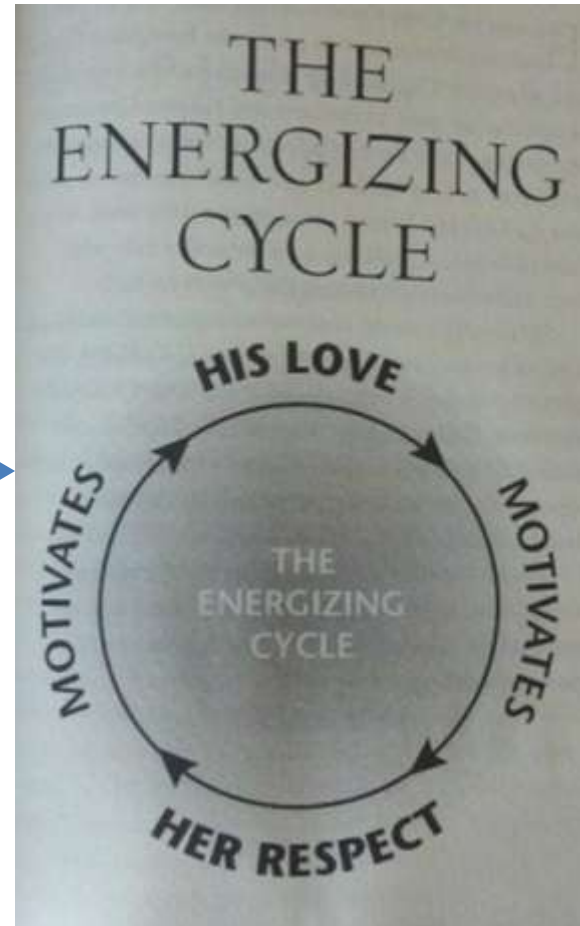
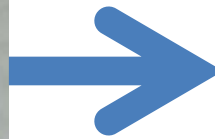
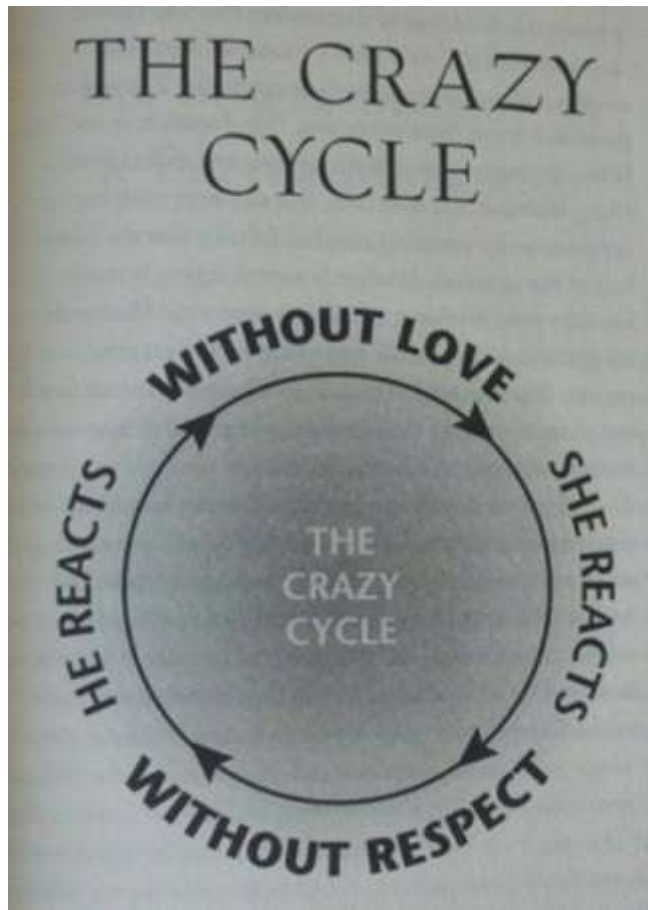
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Notes from Pastor Steven’s “Do it when you are old”



- During this lesson we see Solomon and his wife are a little bit older yet are still frisky.
- Bible story: Loving going deep.
- Solomon is building her up
- Keys to a lasting marriage: God’s intention is have intimacy to increase and deepen over time.
- Your eyes are the pools of Heshbon by the gate of Bath Rabbimz: What does that mean? A levitical city where priests would perform ceremonial cleansing. When I look into your eyes, It is a oasis of refreshment and fulfillment. She has a way to speaking life into my sprit. She is my refuge.
- You wife should be your oasis and refreshment.
- You nose is like a tower: Demasus was the seat of power for the Asyarians (the enemy of Israel). The watch towers protected Israel. Not about how big her nose is. He becomes a tower of defense. A tower of security.
- Listen to the story of notes being posted all over the kitchen to protect against condemnation.
- Learn out to fight for your husband. Fight for his soul.
- Mount Carmel: See 1 Kings 18:19: Confrontation between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. In the bible mentioned as an area of great beauty and fertility.
- Solomon is getting better at building up his wife.
- See Ep 5:33: This one verse unlocks the mystery of marriage and relationships.
- Husbands esteem your wife as a queen
- Wives respect and your honor husband.



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- If we get better at embracing Ep 5:33, we can end the generation split families and redefine the spirit of integrity.
- If you do not crown your husband with respect, he will seek a crown elsewhere else. Do not make her get it from anyone. Speak life and love into your wife.
- If you do not crown your wife with Christ centered love, she will seek a crown of love elsewhere else. (children, job, etc.)
- How would things change if you gave your husband a standing ovation and crown him with honor?
- Once women start crowning her husband, he starts crowning her with love. Called the energy cycle.
- Proverbs 31:11: (NIV) 11 Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value.
- Question for Ruth Graham: Have you every thought about divorcing your husband Billy? Answer: Divorce not. Murder yes.
- Note the change in the season in their marriage. She is now in full bloom.
- I am going to give you love both new and old that I have stored up for you. Two challenges:
 - a. To get what you never had, you must do what you have never done. Later in her marriage, they are still in full bloom. Release bitterness in your life, redefine your standards of behavior. It is time to do something different.
 - B. To have once you once had, you must do what you once did. Continue to pursue her (See Gen 29), rekindle what was once a flame.
- See the touching story of his grand father.