

The Home: Husband and Wife



**Marriage Union Critically Important.
Problem Of Divided Homes (Mk. 3:25)**

A close-up photograph of a hand pulling back a rich red velvet curtain. The hand is positioned in the center-left, gripping the fabric. The curtain is draped and folded, creating deep shadows and bright highlights. The background is a solid dark grey or black.

**WORLD
WAR II**

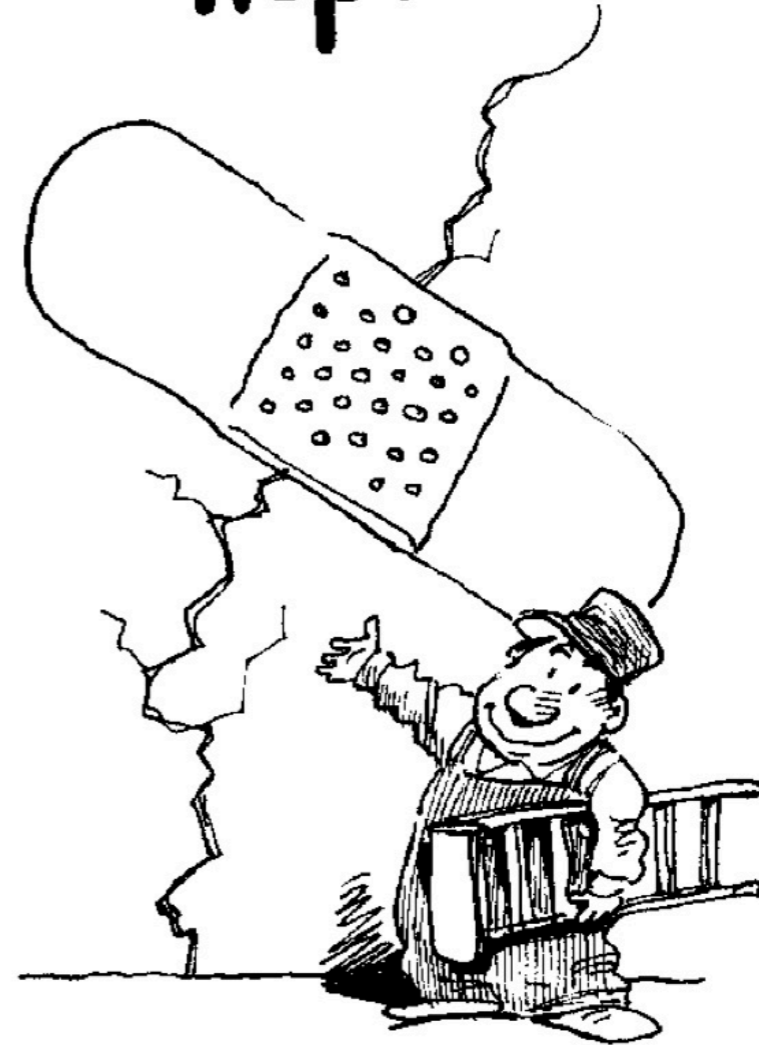
**Pulling Back
The Curtain...**

**A Work In
Progress!**

**Are We
Making
Progress?**

**Two Imperfect
People.**

**We're
Making
Repairs...**



Home Structure (Eph. 5:22-31)

- **Creation Order (Not Inferiority)**
- **I Need Your Help...**
- **Husbands Love Your Wives. (1 Cor. 13:4-8a)**
 - ✓ **As Christ Loved Church & Gave Self For Her. (25)**
- **Wives Submit And Respect Your Husbands.**
 - ✓ **As The Church Is To Submit To Christ In All Things. (24)**
- **Each Partner Has Wants And Needs.**



**Designer
Knows...**

Vs. 33 Love & Respect

The Spirit of a Servant



**The Lord,
The Greatest
Leader and the
Greatest Servant.
John 13:3-17**

**Example Of Real
Leadership**



**God Made Us To
Complement Each Other Not
Compete With Each Other!**

Two

Major

Issues...



#1 Selfishness



Counting Others Better Than Myself... (Philippians 2:3)

Two Major Issues

#2 Patience/Persistence In Doing What Is Right.

**“Success Flourishes Only In
Perseverance - Ceaseless,
Restless Perseverance.”**

**“It’s Not That I Am Smarter, It’s
Just I Stay With Problems
Longer.” A. Einstein**

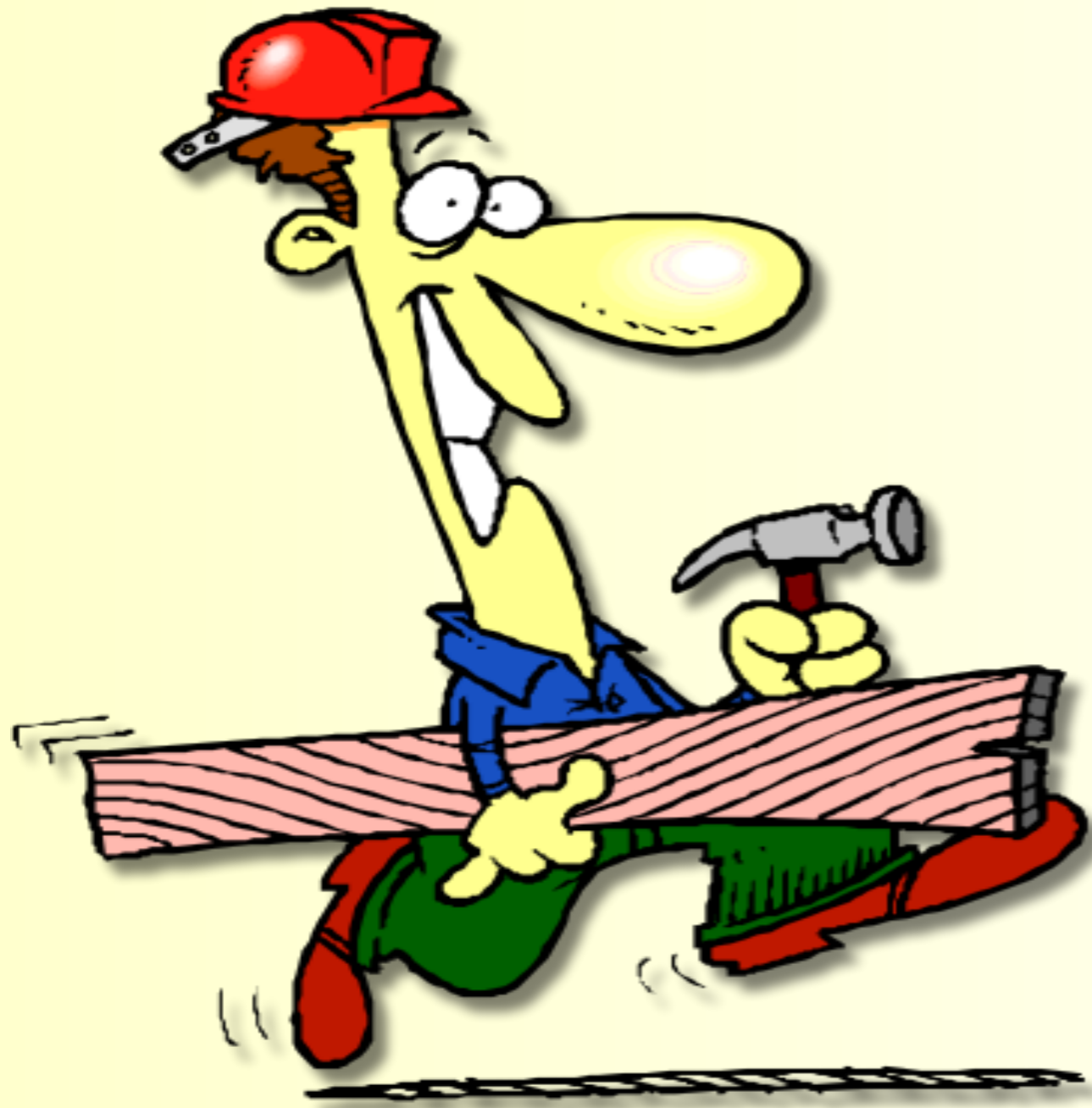


**“I Want To Cook Good For Pablo
So He Will Love Me That Much More.”**



Pablo and Nelda

#1



Problem Solving

**Under
Construction**
(Life, Me As An Individual and My
Family)

Things To Help “MY” Marriage

- **Build Bridges Not Walls (Mt. 5:25)**
- **Spend Time Together (Matt. 6:21)**
- **Get Thinking On Track (Prov. 23:7; Phil. 4:8)**
- **Learn To Touch (Appropriately) (Gen. 26:8)**
- **Talk (1 Cor. 2:11; Js. 5:14 Call For...)**
- **Respect And Honor Each Other (1 Pet. 3:7; Eph. 5:21-31)**

**A Top Ten Complaint In Surveys...
To Much “Screen” Time – Gaming etc.**





Melting the Ice

- **Eph. 5:29 “cherishes it”**
- **1 Thess. 2:7 “tenderly cares”**

primarily means "to heat, to soften by heat;" then, "to keep warm," as of birds covering their young with their feathers, Deut. 22:6, Sept.; metaphorically, "to cherish with tender love, to foster with tender care," - "as of a nurse for her children." W.E. Vine, p. 184 (cherish) only used in these two passages in N.T.

“What is desirable in a man is his kindness...”

Prov. 19:22

Sarcasm & Critical Spirit Crush Warm Feelings

Communication



Persian Gulf War

- **Df= “from Latin to have in common, to make the information common to both or all parties”**
- **Sender - Receiver - Understood Message.**
- **Many ways... Words, actions, gestures...**
Metilda “Sweet talk waste of words, rather show by action.”
- **Prov. 18:21 “Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.”**





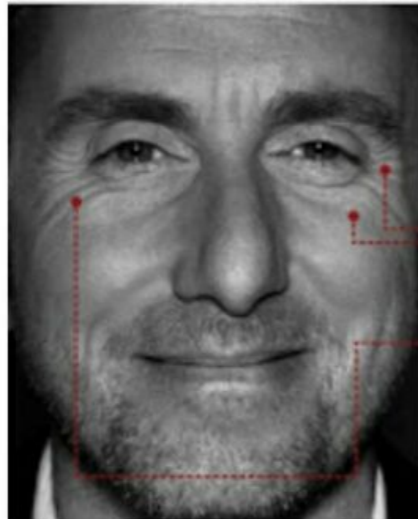
sadness

- ① drooping upper eyelids
- ② losing focus in eyes
- ③ slight pulling down of lip corners



anger

- ① eyebrows down and together
- ② eyes glare
- ③ narrowing of the lips



happiness

- A real smile always includes:
- ① crow's feet wrinkles
 - ② pushed up cheeks
 - ③ movement from muscle that orbits the eye



disgust

- ① nose wrinkling
- ② upper lip raised



surprise

- Lasts for only one second:
- ① eyebrows raised
 - ② eyes widened
 - ③ mouth open



fear

- ① eyebrows raised and pulled together
- ② raised upper eyelids
- ③ tensed lower eyelids
- ④ lips slightly stretched horizontally back to ears

Helpful Passages...

- **Prov. 15:1** A gentle answer turns away wrath, But a harsh word stirs up anger.
- **Js. 1:19** ...be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to anger;
- **Prov. 18:13** He who gives an answer before he hears, It is folly and shame to him.
- **Prov. 13:3** The one who guards his mouth preserves his life; The one who opens wide his lips comes to ruin.
- **Eph. 4:29** Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

#3

Being Intoxicated Without A Bottle or Pills.



Proverbs 5:15-23

Eating & Drinking In Marriage (Intimacy)

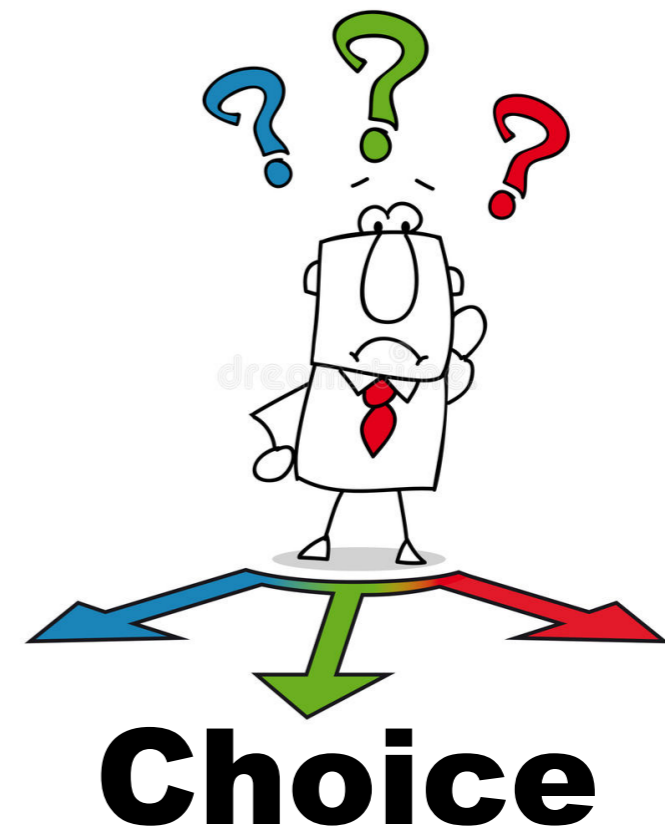
- **Rules For The Bedroom (1 Cor. 7:1ff)**
- **Quit Worrying About Pleasing Yourself. Set Your Mind On Pleasing Your Mate.**
- **Be Intoxicated (5:19)**
- **Don't Go There (Prov. 5:1-23; 15-23) **Temptation...****



Eating & Drinking In Marriage (Intimacy)

Destructive Cycle

- (No Affection > No Intimacy > Makes Colder > Less Affection > Less...)



Marriage Is Worth It!

It Is The Right Thing To Do!



#4

What Do I Do...?

- **Drifting?**

- ✓ **Heb. 2:1 Pay Closer Attention**

- **Early: Busy W/ Work, Hobbies, Self Interest**

- **Middle: Busy W/ Above And Children**

- **Later: Empty Nest... (Have Built Or Need To Get Serious About Building Relationship.)**



- **Mate Doesn't Seem To Be Responding?**

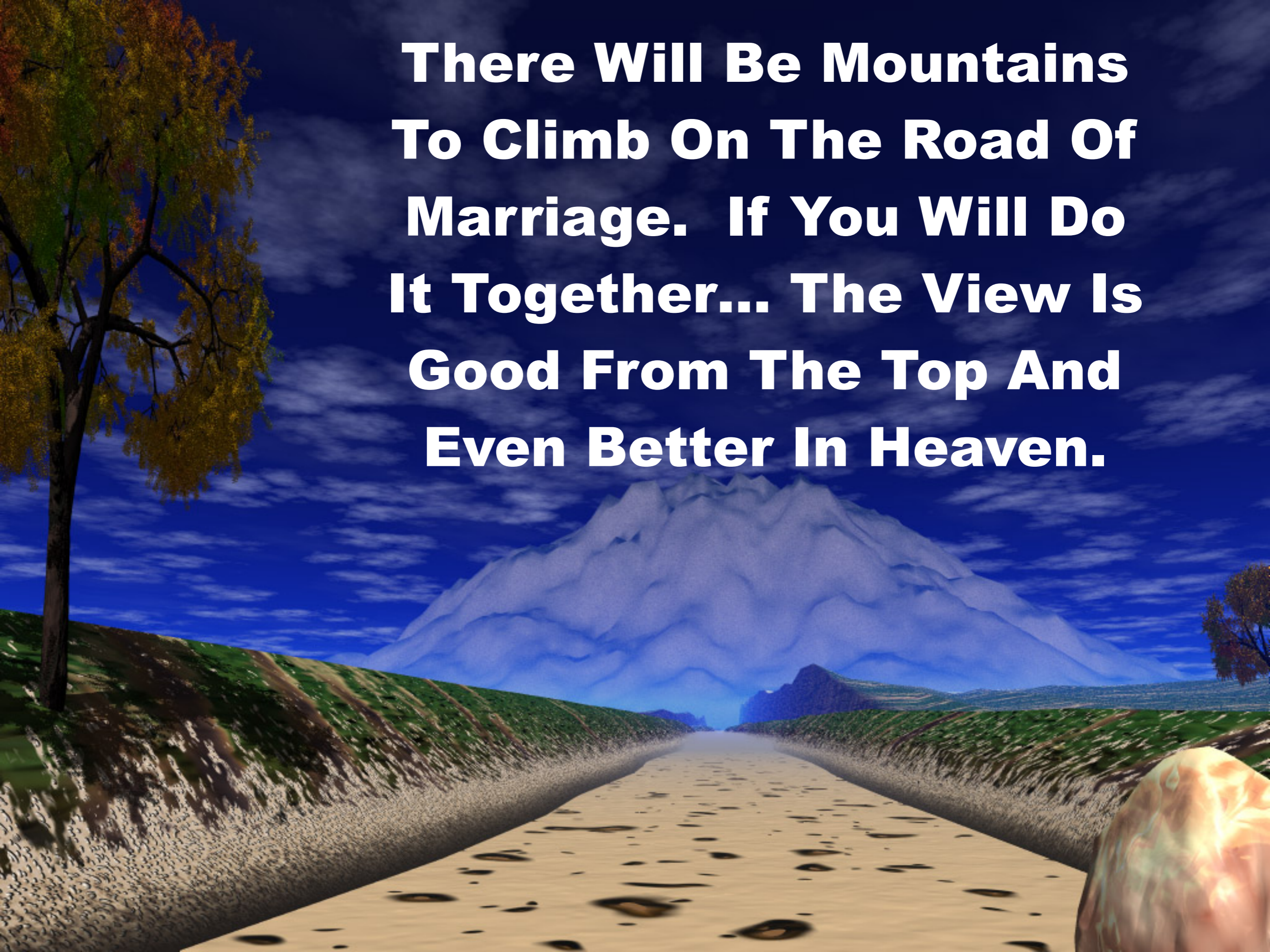
- ✓ **1 Pet. 3:1-7 Your God Committed Example.**

- ✓ **1 Cor. 7:12-16 Do What You Can.**

- ✓ **1 Pet. 2:18-23 Finds Favor W/ God If... Suffer Unjustly.**

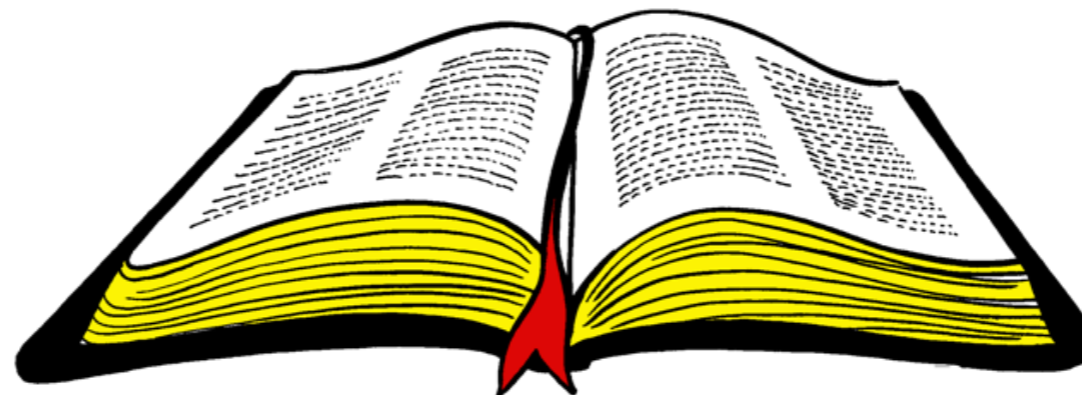
- ✓ **Col. 3:22-25 As Unto The Lord. (Servants)**

**There Will Be Mountains
To Climb On The Road Of
Marriage. If You Will Do
It Together... The View Is
Good From The Top And
Even Better In Heaven.**





**Mk. 16:
15-16**



- **Hear (Rom. 10:17)**
- **Believe (Jn. 8:24)**
- **Repent (Acts 2:38)**
- **Confess (Mt. 10:32-33)**
- **Baptism (Acts 22:16)**

CONTINUE... (MATT. 28:20)

Committed To Follow Jesus

