

LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE:

(60-minute session—10-16-22)

Welcome to the message series: *Building God's Way*. Today, we are focusing on God's design for marriage, and how the relationship between a man and a woman is to be the most important and fulfilling relationship on earth.

Think for a minute, about how important a foundation is to any building project. Can you think of a building near you, that is suffering structural damage because of foundation issues?

REALITY CHECK: There are all kinds of marriages that are suffering today because of foundation problems. What can we do about this?

What did Jesus say? Matthew 7:24-27

What did Solomon say? Proverbs 4:5; 19:8

What does God's Word teach us about the foundation of marriage? Genesis 2:24-25

Four Foundational Laws of Marriage—by Jim Evans

1. The Law of _____:

God designed marriage to be the _____ important _____ in your life.

What challenges do newly married couples sometimes face in their marriage because of parents? How can a person tell whether they are violating this law?

2. The Law of _____:

What are the 3Ts of intimacy? Why are they important?

What are the three 10s of intimacy? Is there something that is keeping you from this practice?

3. The Law of _____:

How can a husband or wife know if they are in violation of this law?

What are some of the challenges couples face in this area? What challenges do some blended families face in this area?

4. The Law of _____:

What need did God create in mankind? In any marriage, what one thing is the single greatest hinderance to openly relating to one another?

What picture do we get of Adam and Eve after they sinned? What is this a picture of? What is marriage designed to be a picture of?



Rooted Groups: What Rooted rhythm/s were connected to the lesson above? How can we encourage one another in the practice of these rhythms?