



COMMUNITY OF FAITH

MARRIAGE TOOLBOX | WEEK 1

THE SUPERNATURAL TOOLS

See how good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in harmony!
PSALM 133:1 (GW)

TOOLS OF INTENTION

TOOLS FOR DYSFUNCTION

25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her **26** to make her holy, cleansing[a] her by the washing with water through the word, **27** and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. **28** In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. **29** After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church— **30** for we are members of his body. **31** “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”[b] **32** This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. EPHESIANS 5:25-32 (NIV)

1. THE MYSTERY OF MARRIAGE

WHAT IF Marriage contains a meaning and a purpose far greater than what we have understood from our culture?

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2. THE VISION OF MARRIAGE

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3. THE COST OF MARRIAGE

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If there is one thing that I can say with confidence about you and your marriage, there is no way you understood what marriage would cost you.

MARRIAGE IS A CONSTANT DEATH AND RESURRECTION

4. THE TRUST OF MARRIAGE

Marriage is so incredibly impossible that it could have been invented only by God and can be carried out only by means of his power, as we give ourselves over to his power, as we give ourselves over to His will every step of the way.

The foundation of marriage is not love, but vows.

18 Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. **19** Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” MATTHEW 28:18-20