

ONE FOR LIFE – SUMMARY

YOUNG ADULTS IN COURTING

CHAPTER 5

Purpose and Power

The purpose that God has for marriage when working together

- When you understand your purpose it will keep your focus in developing your relationship
- The mind has to be renewed in the word of God so that you can understand your defined purpose. Rom 12:2
- Satan will look at ways of distracting you from reading the word, praying and seeking God's direction. Satan is a liar from the beginning of time, he is the accuser, disguising himself as an angel of light.
- The word enables us to walk with discernment
- Understanding purpose also means that there will be struggles, challenges along the way BUT never lose focus of the end and the benefits of it.
- Pro 20:5 – our emotions, reasoning and will run deep but ONLY a man of understanding can draw them out. Understanding can only come through the guidance and leadership of the Holy Spirit who reveals to us the will of the Father and Son John 16
- Our potential must be transformed into potency, it cannot remain at limbo.
- The enemy of great is good, never settle for substandard ways but rather what God has set and designed for you Jer 1:4-5
- One cannot move forward in their purpose without forgiveness
- Be intentional and specific regarding your purpose, get rid of distractors, time wasters and energy sappers
- It's time to fan that flame like Paul speaking to Timothy regarding his calling
- In marriage your purpose combines with that of your spouse and grows exponentially with greater impact
- God did not wait for days to unveil the purpose for Adam and Eve being on the earth. They knew immediately
- Couples must spend time in deep devotional prayer, fasting and reading God's word regarding their purpose
- Affirm your purpose by putting together a mission statement together, speak about your concerns, your passions and goals together as a couple. What are your dreams?
- True One flesh will not allow for two separate paths
- Where there is no vision the people perish Pro 29:18
- Hab 2:2 – write the vision and make it plain, so that those who read it will run with it.
- Blend your call, look at ways of being compatible in reaching the goals set. Ask God to blend them
- Plans may change but NEVER your purpose

- Your marriage was not only designed for your benefit but through your marriage you reach and touch and become a blessing to others – so we have to continuously work at it and evaluate with feedback.
- Living out your purpose as a couple is progressive in the midst of challenges and tests. If it's important to the both of you, you will uphold one another.