

CLOSER LOOK

Bringing the weekend message into daily lives

RELATIONSHIP REDEMPTION - PART 2 REDEEMING DATING FEBRUARY 13, 2022

Scripture:

1 Corinthians 7:6-9; 7:28; 10:1-14

Icebreaker Question:

If you could do anything for a whole day, what would your day look like?

Redeeming Dating Points

1. Don't Do Play-Dating!

(Proverbs 18:22, Numbers 25:1-13)

- A. Know your worth
- B. Keep it real
- C. Look in the right places
- D. Date people who are marriage material

2. God Says True Love Will Wait!

Exodus 20:14
1 Thessalonians 4:3-5
1 Corinthians 6:18
Numbers 25:7; 11-13

3. Don't Get Desperate!

Proverbs 19:2
Proverbs 12:15
2 Corinthians 6:14
Amos 3:3

Agree on core values:

- A. Do you agree on a biblical worldview
- B. Do you agree with what a Chris-follower is?
- C. Do you agree on core values?
- D. Do you agree on how to navigate differences?
- E. do you agree on how to handle difficult people and relationships?
- F. Do you agree on how to handle suffering and loss?

4. Stay off the relationship island!

Proverbs 4:5, 7
Proverbs 12:5
Proverbs 19:19-20

5. Don't make an idol out of love and marriage!

1 Corinthians 10:5-14

6. Be Grateful!

1 Corinthians 10:10-11
Judges 13:5

QUESTIONS:

1. One-minute take away. What is one thing in today's message resonated with you?
2. Pastor Joe talked about how dating now is difficult. With apps, 'ghosting,' technology- dating is complicated! When you were or if you are single, what complications did (do) you find in the 'dating world'? Where did you meet your spouse/significant other?

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3. Do you ever feel like you are or have been in a 'wilderness season' in your marriage or singleness? What have you done to get out of it?
4. When you were (or are in) the dating world, were you good at setting boundaries. How did you communicate these?
5. Did and do you agree with your spouse on the items listed above (letters - A-F)? How you did you handle any disagreement on these?
6. Have you ever gone to 'relationship island' that Ps. Joe discussed? Why? Have you dated someone that your family or friends didn't approve of? How did you handle that?
7. How do you remember to be grateful in the life you have now - whether single or married?

CHALLENGE:

This week look at your relationship (spouse, significant other, even in your singleness) and write down 3 things every day that you are thankful and grateful for.

PRAYER:

"Father, we thank you for every person in this room. I pray that you guide and direct their steps in their relationships. Help us to remember to put You first in all that we do. Our relationships start with our relationship with You. Thank You for giving us wisdom in each and every season we step into."