

Message Notes:
Modern Family

Message Title:
"Making Marriage Last A Lifetime"

Text:
Ephesians 5:24-29

"Give honor to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage." Hebrews 13:4, NLT

"Whether we are husband or wife, we are not to live for ourselves but for the other. And that is the hardest yet single most important function of being a husband or a wife in marriage." Rev. Timothy Keller

"Marriage is a calling from God. The basic orientation of marriage is serving, giving, and sacrificing." Rev. Adam Hamilton

Making marriage last a lifetime:

1. Love God.

"Three are even better, for a triple-braded cord is not easily broken."
Ecc. 4:12, NLT

*Read God's word

*Focus on becoming

*Share with one another

2. Serve one another.

"As the church submits to Christ, so you wives should submit to your husbands in everything. For husbands, this means love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her..."

Ephesians 5:24-25, NLT

*Be helpful

*Empathize with them

*Offer forgiveness

3. Enjoy one another.

"For a man who loves his wife actually shows love for himself. No one hates his own body but feeds and cares for it, just as Christ cares for the church." Ephesians 5:28-29, NLT

*Date each other

*Write something

*Cut back