



LIVE ABUNDANTLY

10:10
LIFE

ABUNDANT MARRIAGE

Psalm 5 (ESV)

1 My son, be attentive to my wisdom; incline your ear to my understanding, 2 that you may keep discretion, and your lips may guard knowledge. 3 For the lips of a forbidden woman drip honey, and her speech is smoother than oil, 4 but in the end she is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a two-edged sword. 5 Her feet go down to death; her steps follow the path to Sheol; 6 she does not ponder the path of life; her ways wander, and she does not know it.

Psalm 5 (ESV)

7 And now, O sons, listen to me, and do not depart from the words of my mouth. 8 Keep your way far from her, and do not go near the door of her house, 9 lest you give your honor to others and your years to the merciless, 10 lest strangers take their fill of your strength, and your labors go to the house of a foreigner, 11 and at the end of your life you groan, when your flesh and body are consumed, 12 and you say, "How I hated discipline, and my heart despised reproof!"

Psalm 5 (ESV)

13 I did not listen to the voice of my teachers or incline my ear to my instructors. 14 I am at the brink of utter ruin in the assembled congregation. 15 Drink water from your own cistern, flowing water from your own well. 16 Should your springs be scattered abroad, streams of water in the streets? 17 Let them be for yourself alone, and not for strangers with you. 18 Let your fountain be blessed, and rejoice in the wife of your youth, 19 a lovely deer, a graceful doe.

Psalm 5 (ESV)

Let her breasts fill you at all times with delight; be intoxicated always in her love. 20 Why should you be intoxicated, my son, with a forbidden woman and embrace the bosom of an adulteress? 21 For a man's ways are before the eyes of the Lord, and he ponders all his paths. 22 The iniquities of the wicked ensnare him, and he is held fast in the cords of his sin. 23 He dies for lack of discipline, and because of his great folly he is led astray.

The Main Idea

It's one step at a time to disaster.

Direction not intention, determines destination.



Ground Rules

Abundant Marriage

Ground Rules

- God created us Male & Female
 - Image bearers
 - He dictates who we are
- Sex is God's idea
 - Triune intimacy
 - He is good
 - Procreation & recreation

Ground Rules

- Sex is for married people
 - Right environment
 - No such thing as “married in our heart”
- Marriage is One man & One woman in a covenant with God for one lifetime – God’s command
- Flee sexual immorality - Any kind of sexual relationship outside of marriage
- Collateral damage – “Back to the Future”

Ground Rules

- Thou shall not commit adultery – root of world's problems
- Hormones are not our master – Jesus is our Lord
- Joby is a Pharisee

Where is Your Life Heading?



Where is Your Life Heading?

- Abundant life or destruction/hell
- Pivotal decision
- Wisdom – Learning from other's experiences
- Guardrails – Flee versus flirt

Where is Your Life Heading?

- Flirting
 - Not sin
 - Stupid
 - Tool in the hand of Satan
 - Where is the line?
 - Manage the consequences – “I got this”
 - “Dead man/deer walking” – Liver shot
- “Stop it” – Bob Newhart

Rejoice in the wife of your youth.

A dark silhouette of two hands, one from the left and one from the right, reaching towards each other and interlocking fingers to form a heart shape. In the center of the heart is a glowing, circular light source, possibly a candle or a small lamp, which illuminates the interior of the heart and casts a soft glow on the surrounding background.

Proverbs 5:18

Rejoice in the Wife of Your Youth

- Continue to pursue
 - Date night
 - Vacations
- Exclusivity
- Vulnerability

Discussion Questions

- What, if any ground rules have you established in your daily interactions with women?
- Considering this week's sermon, in your daily interactions with women, what, if anything needs to change in your life?
- If every step of obedience leads to life & every step of disobedience leads to death & destruction how does this impact the way you view decisions in your life?
- What can you do better to rejoice in the wife of our youth?



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