

SERMON NOTES

Date: April 8, 2018

Series: Messy Church

Title: The Gospel and Marriage

Text: 1 Corinthians 7:1-5

Big Idea: How does the gospel impact intimacy in marriage?

MAKE IT REAL

Questions for Personal Application and Small Group Discussion

REVIEW THE SERMON

What are the differences between the way the world views marriage and a distinctly Christian view of marriage? How 1 Corinthians 7:1-5 specifically address these differences? _____

What are the purposes of marriage according to Scripture (Genesis 1:28; 2:18; Prov. 5:19; 1 Cor. 7:2, 9; Ephesians 5:23-32)? _____

ASSESS YOUR LIFE

What are your expectations for marriage and for sex? Are those expectations biblical and reasonable? Evaluate your desires and expectations through the eyes of your spouse if you're married, and through the eyes of the Lord if you're not. _____

APPLY THE TRUTH

Are there any ways this passage is prodding you to change your attitudes, actions, or decisions about sex and marriage? _____

Are there any conversations that you need to have with the Lord, or with your spouse about what this passage teaches? _____

COMMIT THIS WEEK

Thank God specifically for your your own marriage or the marriages you see around you. _____

Spend some time praying for God to transform your own marriage, beginning with your own heart, and for the purity of the marriages around you.