

**The 22 Most Important Words Ever Spoken on Marriage found in Genesis 2:24.**

**Leave Father and Mother: An Exclusive Relationship**

This morning we continue where we left off last week. When children become adults, they cease a dependent relationship with parents with the intention never to resume it. *Leave* is a strong verb meaning “to forsake and neglect; leave destitute, refuse.” When couples marry, they must leave parents in three ways: Our second way is-

**CLEAVE TO EACH OTHER: MARRIAGE IS A PRIMARY RELATIONSHIP**

God created a wife for Adam—not a father, mother, or child—establishing marriage as the primary relationship, not the parent-child relationship. One’s spouse also takes precedence over friends. Married people need friends, but these should be second-tier relationships receiving less time, energy, and devotion than spouses.

**Marriage is More Important Than A Career!**

Marriage is more important than a career. Douglas MacArthur II (the famous general’s nephew) worked for the U.S. government. The Secretary of State once called his home and asked to speak with him. His wife did not recognize the Secretary’s voice and replied tersely, “He’s not here. He’s where he always is—weekends, nights, Saturdays, Sundays—at the office. You can reach him there.” He politely hung up and immediately called MacArthur, saying, “Go home. Your home front is crumbling.”

Many home fronts crumble for the simple reason that couples do not spend enough time together to keep the fire burning. Husbands and wives who live separate lives miss the point of marriage (**Proverbs 5:15–19**). Some men spend more time with golf or hunting buddies than with their wives; some wives will not leave work friends long enough to build a relationship with their husbands.

It can happen unintentionally. A couple becomes so involved in outside activities that they are more roommates than mates. They give so much attention to children that nothing is left for each other. If a marriage is built around children, or careers, disappointment awaits when the nest empties or retirement comes. Children are home a few years, but partners are there for life. It is unhealthy for children, too. Modeling spousal love is the best way to prepare them for their future marriages.

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Moses showed how to get marriage off on the right foot: “When a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war, neither shall he be charged with any business: but he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer up his wife” (**Deuteronomy 24:5**). The new husband was not to be charged with any overnight business or be drafted into military service because that would require him to be away from home. His assignment was to cheer his wife. She was in a new environment with new responsibilities, perhaps feeling overwhelmed.

**Borrowed from House to House.**

JOB CHAPTER TWENTY-THREE		
B L E S T F O S R E E K A T U T	A F R A I D	H I D E T H
T D O G S A K T W E N G T O R A	A G A I N S T	J U D G E
O I L P D N O S W H I R R E N E	A N S W E R	K N O W E T H
O T E O O U H N R O A V W E T S	B E C A U S E	M O U T H
F T R W H T J I O E R S A L A D	B E H O L D	N E I T H E R
S I E I U E B A H A N D Y E T T	B I T T E R	P L E A D
S T P O E T B G R A V E S O H O	C A N N O T	P O W E R
H O M E S D R A E S U A C E B Y	C A U S E	S E A T
B E T U P S I D D A T E W P A D	C O V E R E D	S O F T
A N D P L E B E E A S H O O R Y	D I S P U T E	S T E P S
C H E T L I T H R A F W I A R E	F O O T	S T R O K E
H A M I T E T H E R E R W N K K	F O R T H	T A K E
T I N T T E A R V R O R A O G E	F O R W A R D	T H I N G S
R I E N D H A D O N O R R I M S	G R E A T	T R I E D
O R R I O T E N C F A T S O D O	H E A R T	W O R D S
F E H O O T S R O U S E S U A C	H E A V I E R	W O R K

😊 Special Days 😊			
Happy Birthday, July!			
Kierra Oyola	1	Donna Wirt	2
Ashlynn Wedge	5	Janelle Okiyi	5
Charles Swabb	8	Karla Anthony	9
Michael Ambrose	10	Danny Gauvin	10
Shannon Anthony	16	Wayne Marbury	20
Lauren Comeaux	22	Niles Wedge	22
Keith Gillispie	25	Katie Wedge	26
Happy Anniversary, July!			
Chris and Shelby Neal			12
Josh and Jessica Endy			12
Eric and Karla Anthony			18
Troy and Denise Crayton			26

**WOODBIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST**



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Woodbridge, VA 22191  
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**July 9, 2017**

Services	
Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

- Elders**  
Eric Anthony Ernie Maiwald  
Michael Neal Lee Porter  
Tim Wertz
- Deacons**  
Perry Comeaux Jason Cottoner  
Keith George Dan Medina  
Niles Wedge
- Minister**  
Ernie Maiwald
- Associate Minister**  
Keith George

*The Woodbridge elders recommend the following Bible translations for our public worship and study:*  
*King James Version, New King James Version and American Standard Version, 1901*

**Welcome, Visitors!**

Thank you for coming to worship with us today. You are our honored guests. We are a Bible church with Bible aims relying on God's word as our only authority. We invite you to join us in worshipping through:

- o singing (Eph 5:19)
- o praying (I Tim 2:1-2)
- o studying (II Tim 4:2)
- o giving (I Cor 16:2)
- o remembering our Lord's sacrifice through communion (Acts 20:7).

We want to have a record of your visit. Please complete the visitor's card that is in the pew before you and place it in the collection basket or hand it to one of our members.

If we can be of service to you, in any way, please let us know. And please visit with us again soon. We look forward to seeing you.

**Daily Bible Readings**

		Morning	Evening
Epistles	July 9	I Corth. 7 - 8	I Corth. 5 - 6
The Law	July 10	Genesis 44 - 47	Genesis 40 - 43
History	July 11	I Samuel 6 -10	I Samuel 1 - 5
Psalms	July 12	Psalms 33 - 35	Psalms 30 - 32
Poetry	July 13	Job 23 - 24	Job 21 - 22
Prophecy	July 14	Isaiah 62 - 66	Isaiah 51 - 556 - 615
Gospels	July 815	Mark 3 - 4	Mark 1 - 2

**Bible Class Schedule for the Week**

Week of July 9			
Sunday	Lesson 58	Exodus 10	
Wednesday	Lesson 59	Exodus 11: 12:1-20	
Week of July 16			
Sunday	Lesson 60	Exodus 13	
Wednesday	Lesson 61	Exodus 14	

**Announcements**

**The Gillispies** will be moving to Hawaii. Their last worship service with us will be on July 16. We will be having an ice cream social after Sunday evening services on July 16.

Additionally, there is a picture on the table in the foyer for them. Please sign and leave a message for the Gillispies.

**Assignments**

	9 July	16 July
Announcements	Anthony	Comeaux
Song	Wertz	Gillispie
Prayer	Comeaux	Crayton
Preside @ Table	Lake	Marbury
Assisting	Chris Dollard	M. Frazier
Assisting	Dukes	Z. Frazier
Assisting	Earwood	Gauvin
Prayer	Merritt	Neal
	9 July	16 July
Announcements	Anthony	Comeaux
Song Leader	Wertz	Gillispie
Prayer	Beauvais	Caples
Communion/Prayer	Lake	Marbury
	12 July	19 July
Announcements	Anthony	Comeaux
Song Leader	Wertz	Gillispie
Invitation	Neal	Wedge
Prayer	Marbury	Neal

*Notes:*

1. *Please arrange for a substitute if you are unable to perform an assigned duty.*
2. *Notify Tim Wertz and Karla Anthony of any changes.*
3. **Transportation.** *If anyone would be willing to help with transportation to and from services on Sunday and Wednesday, please see Niles Wedge.*

	July	August	September
<b>Prepare Communion</b>	Lake	Medina	Porter
<b>Building Lockup</b>	Neal	Wertz	Maiwald

**REMINDERS**

<b>Mens Breakfast</b>	8/12/17	8:00am	OC Buffet
<b>EDP Meeting</b>	7/88/12/17	9:30am	Building
<b>Qtrly Potluck (Zone 3 hosting)</b>	9/3/17	Noon	Building

**Helpful Contact Addresses:**

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**For our Prayers**

**Assisted Living**

- **Gayle Swabb** (Whispering Pines - Luray)
- **Charles Swabb** (Betty's Place - Manassas)

**Continued Prayers for Family and Friends:**

- **Omer Goolsby** (Sue Bilbrey's brother) Cancer
- **Sandra Lauriano** (co-worker for Kennetha Marbury) cancer
- **Lucille Goolsby** (Sue Bilbrey's sister-in-law) Cancer
- **Harry Sweet** (Cancer)
- **Lenny Skutnik** (Crohns)
- **OT Martin** (Ernie's dad) Alzheimer's
- **Vicky Smith** (Kennetha Marbury's cousin) kidney
- **Tom Gilley** (Bobbie Girard's brother) memory problems
- **Jesse Medina** (Dan's brother) pulmonary hypertension
- **Johnnie Thompson** (Perry Comeaux aunt) Long Term Care
- **Louise Carr** (Erica Riley's mother) strokes
- **Ryan Schick** (friend of the Gillispie's) motorcycle accident
- **Jan Dunlap** (Linda Skutnik's sister)
- **Cayla Johnson** (Bobby Johnson's daughter) Colitis
- **Amelia** (Miranda Gillispie's cousin) breathing problems
- **Hailey** (Miranda Gillispie's cousin) neck problems
- **Juanita Johnson** (Bobby Johnson's mom) Thyroid Surgery
- **Jean Long** (Sue Bilbrey's sister) brain tumor
- **Connie Fletcher** (Bobbie Girard's daughter) Stroke/Rehab
- **Joyce Porter** (Lee's mother) circulation problems
- **Robert Cottoner** (Jason's father) prostate cancer
- **Angelica Garcia** (friend of Linda Skutnik) acute leukemia
- **Renee Wilson** (friend of Bobby Johnson) cardiac arrest
- **John** (Miranda Gillispie's grandfather)
- **Deidre Johnson** (Bobby Johnson's niece) pregnancy complications
- **Sammie Thompson** (Perry Comeaux's cousin) cancer

**Continued prayers for our members**

Bobbie Girard	Alwilda Merritt	Bobby Johnson
Colleen Wertz	Christine Liddell	Betty Perez
Tom White	Deb Neal	Endy Family
Zayda McCorkle	Mike Neal	