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In our fragile and unstable world, often times our commitments are short-lived or even designed to be broken. In this message, we discovered what God-level marriage looks like so we can experience God-level success.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. This weekend, we learned that in a contract we protect our rights and limit our responsibilities. But in a covenant, we give up our rights and pick up our responsibilities. In your relationships, what does that look like for you? How can we as Christians, husbands, and wives better make this a part of our daily life?
2. Read Matthew 6:33. Part of having a covenant relationship with our spouse is to keep them a priority. How do you accomplish this in your marriage? What steps do you take to make sure that your husband/wife remains a priority?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 7:4. The word ownership in a marriage means that everything we have is theirs, and vice-versa. In the beginning of your marriage was this a hard adjustment to make? How can we move from a mentality of everything is "yours" to everything is "ours?"
4. The Bible tells us to love unconditionally, which oftentimes can be challenging. In your marriage what does loving your spouse unconditionally look like? What challenges did you face and do you continue to face in loving one another unconditionally?
5. To honor respectfully is important in all of our relationships. What does honor respectfully mean to you? How can we carry out this principle in all relationships?

Action Steps

This week, we were challenged with what a covenant marriage looks like. In your alone time with the Lord, write out the things that challenged you during this message. It may be areas that you know you need to work on, areas you and your spouse need to work on, or things you want to continue to do to keep your marriage a covenant. Take some time to pray over these areas together.