



Commencing Re-entry- RESTORED

Mission Marriage~ Hebrews 13:4

September 27, 2026

Questions for the Community

What does the Bible say? (goal: go slow, notice the text, let God speak for Himself in the words of His book)

1. Read Genesis 3:6–10. What happened after Adam and Eve sinned, and how did God respond to their hiding?
2. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:23. What does Paul's prayer reveal about God's concern for our spirit, soul, and body?
3. According to 1 Corinthians 6:12–20, why does it matter to God what Christians do with their bodies?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 7:2–5. What instructions are given to both husbands and wives concerning exclusivity, mutuality, and intimacy?
5. Read Hebrews 13:4, 1 Thessalonians 4:3–5, and Galatians 6:9–10. What commands, warnings, and encouragements do these passages give?

What does it mean? (goal: get to the heart of the text by understanding what Paul is teaching then and how it relates to now)

6. Why do shame and fear cause people to hide from God and one another? How does God's pursuit of Adam and Eve offer hope for restoration?
7. Why does Scripture place sexual intimacy within the exclusive, lifelong covenant of marriage?
8. How does 1 Corinthians 7 present marital intimacy as mutual self-giving rather than selfishness, entitlement, manipulation, or coercion?
9. The sermon contrasts a "ministry mindset" with a "consumer mindset." How would each mindset approach marriage, intimacy, and the needs of a spouse?

What do I do? (goal: move from understanding to faithful, obedient lived response; this is sometimes plain and sometimes requires listening in prayer)

10. Where are fear, shame, disappointment, or past experiences tempting you to hide from God or from someone you should trust?
11. What messages about sexuality have most shaped you? How can you test those messages against God's Word?
12. How can you honor God with your body in your present season—whether you are single, dating, engaged, or married?
13. If you are married, what would it look like to cultivate greater safety, trust, tenderness, patience, and honest communication in your relationship? If you are unmarried, how can you begin developing those qualities now?
14. Is there an area of brokenness in which you need to seek wise help, establish safety, confess sin, or receive God's forgiveness? What is one appropriate next step you can take this week?
15. What does it look like for you to receive the loving gaze of God toward you? If you don't get this from God, where are you tempted to go for it?