

Happy Valentine's Day!

Message summary: *God is romantic. Did you know that? God is concerned about keeping the romance alive in your marriage. God is so concerned about romance that He wrote a whole book about it in the Bible called, "Song of Solomon". So, if your marriage has lost its pizzazz and gone flat, let's look at some biblical ways to rekindle the romance in your marriage.*

Rekindle the Romance

Revelations 2:4,5

1. **REMEMBER** the height from which you have fallen.
2. **REPENT** and change your attitude toward your spouse.
3. **RETURN** to what you used to do to fall in love in order to stay in love.

Five Biblical Actions to Rekindle Romance:

"You must do what you did to first fall in love in order to stay in love."

1. **Attention:** Give each other lots of attention. Philippians 2:2,4
2. **Affirmation:** Build each other up. 1 Thessalonians 5:11
3. **Affections:** Marriages need the physical touch in large amounts.
Colossians 3:19
4. **Adventure:** Be a fun couple, not a bore. Ecclesiastes 9:9
5. **Agreement:** Spiritual unity promotes romance. Amos 3:3

LifeGroup QUESTIONS:

BEGIN IT- (5 min) Praising the Lord & pray that God leads the study.

OPENT IT- (10 min) Why does love – even the most fervent and committed love – sometimes grow cold over time?

EXPLORE IT – (60 min) (If single) – Answer in the way you would like to see happen in your future marriage?

1. After reading Revelations 2:4,5 & Ephesians 5:25 why can we apply what God says to His church in the same way we can apply it to our marriages?
2. What do you think Christ meant when He said, “You have forsaken your first love”?
3. According to the sermon’s outline and your notes: What are we to REMEMBER?
4. What are we to REPENT to? What does it meant to repent?
5. What are we to RETURN to?
6. What does it mean to give ATTENTION to your spouse?
7. How can we avoid self-centeredness in our own life?
8. What does it mean to give AFFIRMATION to your spouse?
9. What does it mean to give AFFECTION to your spouse?
10. At what time in your marriage did you feel closest to God or the most dedicated to God?

APPLY IT- (15 minutes) –What is one step you can take this week to build the quality of romance missing in your marriage? (If single) – What would you like to see happen in your future marriage? Take time to pray for these changes in your life.