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For the week of: Sunday, January 30, 2022

Teaching Series: Future: Living Forward with God's Blessing

Message Title / Pastor: Future – What Does A Godly Marriage Look Like, Pastor Joy Wilson

MESSAGE OVERVIEW

In our insightful Future series on the Book of Malachi, the Prophet speaks strongly and soberingly about marriage. Pastor Bill's message addressed the issues of what can rob the blessing of marriage and what can reassure the blessing of marriage. The Bible holds marriage as a sacred covenant established by and before God. The discussion will highlight the biblical principles that will bring both blessing and reward in a marriage today.

- Malachi 2:15-16 *15 Didn't the Lord make you one with your wife? In body and spirit you are his. And what does he want? Godly children from your union. So guard your heart; remain loyal to the wife of your youth. 16 "For I hate divorce!"[c] says the Lord, the God of Israel. "To divorce your wife is to overwhelm her with cruelty," says the Lord of Heaven's Armies. "So guard your heart; do not be unfaithful to your wife."*
- Isaiah 1:18 *"Come now, let us reason together, says the lord. Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool."*
- Psalm 147:3 *He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. When it comes to marriage, who has been a helpful model for you? What made their marriage special?
2. Based on Malachi 2:10-16, how did Pastor Joy address the phrase, "God Hates Divorce?
3. What do the following verse say about healing from a failed marriage or a broken heart? How have you seen this to be true?
4. What are the four principles Pastor Joy shared that make a successful relationship?
5. What steps can a person take to strengthen their relationships?

PRAYER

Father, we thank you for marriage and family. We pray that you will forgive us of selfishness and distractions that have damaged or hurt our relationships. Heal our hearts and forgive our sins. We pray for our marriages and family, that you might strengthen and sustain in Jesus' Name. May the marriages in our families and in our church be stronger and healthier. Whether single or married may we walk in your ways, your word and your wisdom. In Jesus' Name, Amen! Amen!

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