

Sermon Notes

"Soul-Mates instead of Cell Mates"

Song of Solomon 7:1-13

March 6, 2016

Let's Pray:

For our missionaries:

Steve and Erin Voss - Expeditions Unlimited

Pray for the events/camping ministry at Expeditions

Unlimited and the upcoming birth of their fourth child.

Introduction:

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Conclusion:

Growth Group Homework

For the week of 3-06-16

Questions adapted from Jeremy Vance, <http://www.faithchurchmanitowoc.org/#/sunday-morning/sermon-discussion-s>, Oct. 25, 2015, accessed 1/20/16.

Getting Started:

1. When you think of “Soul Mates” is there a couple that you would look to that you think are a great example to you? Why?

Digging Deeper:

2. Read Song of Solomon 7:1-13. In 7:1-10, the husband and wife go from an enticement to physical intimacy to contentment with each other. If married couples neglect this important ingredient in their relationship, what can be some negative consequences?

If there are problems in this area, is it OK to get help? If so, who should you get help from? Realistically, though, does the private nature of physical intimacy prevent us from seeking help?

3. In Song of Solomon 7:1-5, 11-13, and 8:2, who is initiating the intimacy in the relationship? What wisdom can we draw from this?
4. In Song of Solomon 7:11-12, the man and his wife get away into the countryside. How are you doing at slowing down and relaxing in order to move away from the busyness of life and toward the beauty of life? Explain.
5. Some relationships can become routine. Why does this happen? Think of creative ways you can keep your relationships “new” even as it is “old” or familiar (as Song of Solomon 7:13 says).