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#2: Secrets of a Happy Marriage

Learning the Secrets of a Happy Marriage

Secret #1: Discover and meet each _____

Ephesians 5:25 *For husbands, this means love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her...*

Philippians 4:19 *And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.*

*Give each other permission to ask for your _____

Secret #2: Pursue _____

The Policy of Radical Honesty

Reveal to your spouse as much information about yourself as you know; your thoughts, feelings, habits, likes, dislikes, personal history, daily activities, and plans for the future.

Proverbs 24:26 *An honest answer is like a kiss on the lips.*

Ephesians 4:25 *Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor...*

Secret #3: Honor your spouse _____

Romans 12:10 *Honor one another above yourselves.*

Mark 6:4 *Jesus said to them, "Only in his hometown, among his relatives and in his own house is a prophet without honor."*

How honored does your spouse feel?

1...2...3...4...5...6...7...8...9...10

How honored do you feel?

1...2...3...4...5...6...7...8...9...10

The Average Women's Needs

- #1: Affection
- #2: Conversation
- #3: Honesty and Openness
- #4: Financial Support
- #5: Family Commitment

The Average Men's Needs

- #1: Sexual Fulfillment
- #2: Recreational Companionship
- #3: Physical Attractiveness
- #4: Domestic Support
- #5: Admiration and Respect

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1. EMOTIONAL HONESTY: Reveal your emotional reactions, both positive and negative, to the events of your life, particularly to your spouse's behavior.
2. HISTORICAL HONESTY: Reveal information about your personal history, particularly events that demonstrate personal weakness or failure.
3. CURRENT HONESTY: Reveal information about the events of your day. Provide your spouse with a calendar of your activities, with special emphasis on those that may affect your spouse.
4. FUTURE HONESTY: Reveal your thoughts and plans regarding future activities and objectives.