

The Love Story vs the Covenant Story

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You Probably Married the Wrong Person!



So these people started beating down the morale of the people of Judah, harassing them as they built. They even hired propagandists to sap their resolve. They kept this up for about fifteen years, throughout the lifetime of Cyrus, king of Persia, and on into the reign of Darius, king of Persia.
Ezra 4:4-5, MSG

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Hello,

I, Richard Panzer, started Sunday's sermon by sharing a 4 minute interview with West Virginia Sanctuary leader Pier Angelo Beltrami about a dream he had about meeting President Trump and what happened after that. Pier Angelo is a talented brother, and also inspiring in the way he takes action!

Next, I showed a video regarding a 96-year-old woman (could be AI I'm told) who explains why "You Probably Married the Wrong Person." Very perceptive

After that I discussed the "Love Story versus the Covenant Story" an insightful overview of "Rachel vs Leah" that was originally written by a patriot Christian friend named Alyssa Ann.



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Rachel represents infatuation, euphoria, instant connection. If you've felt this, it's a wonderful feeling, right? Leah represents the bigger purpose called covenant, which involves things that cannot be seen in the moment.

Now, I'd like to discuss 4 elements of a blessed marital relationship.

On the left is **attraction**, which is wonderful (God created that!) but does not always last in the same form. On the right is **communication**. If you're in the infatuation stage, you may feel like you met your "soulmate." Later on, it usually takes more conscious effort. As the 2nd King has taught us, it's not always about verbal Communication. Doing things together, even without much talking, is a different level of communication. **Integrity** is like a roof over your relationship. Someone who has integrity can be trusted, takes responsibility and keeps his word. In DP language, a person with integrity has mind-body unity centered on what's right and good. **Absolute Faith** is the foundation. Unless you're rooted in something bigger and higher than yourselves, your commitment is likely to waver. Faith in God's often unrevealed future for your lives, even when the present looks bleak.



Your blessed marriage will be tested. As stated in Daniel 7:25 and in the book of Job, even righteous people get tested. It appears that for various reasons, God allows Satan to test us even when we've done nothing wrong. As Father has explained, this is necessary for the maturation of our faith or for a future providential purpose we may not understand yet.

In Ephesians 4, St. Paul warned not to let anger take possession of your heart. Be careful about the kind of language that comes out of your mouth. It's natural to experience disappointment and loss, but don't let that come out as words of accusation and blame, towards yourself or others.



Galatians 6:9 warns us not to grow weary of doing good! Some of you may know my wife Miho is a talented gardener. We planted 3 apple trees a few years ago, but none have flowered or born fruit yet! The same thing is often true in our lives, our blessed marriages and families.

Even secular research confirms the Biblical message about perseverance.

- **The Statistic:** Among those who rated their marriages as very unhappy, **almost eight out of ten (about 80%)** who avoided divorce were happily married five years later.
- **The Context:** The study, often cited as "Does Divorce Make People Happy?", found that two-thirds of unhappily married spouses who stuck with the marriage reported being happily married five years later.
- **The Findings:** [The study](#) found no evidence that unhappily married adults who divorced were typically any happier than those who stayed married.

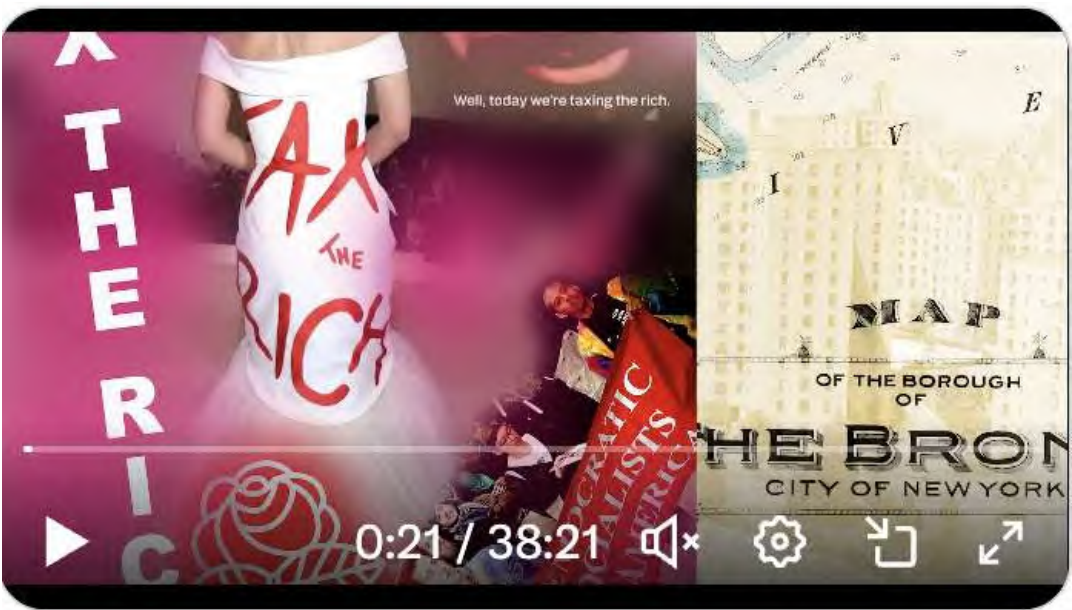


What thorns are you allowing into your life and into your blessed marriage?

Our culture says that pornography is harmless. Who is the man in the photo paying attention to? His wife or what he's watching on his computer or phone? Like drugs or alcohol, porn can become a brain altering addiction.

If you're in a matching process and you haven't told your future spouse about having a porn habit or some other addiction, that is a serious dishonesty and lack of integrity. If you are already blessed, then there are resources to help you kick your habit. Ask me and I can tell you more.

Women have temptations, too, for instance their fantasies about other men who are more romantic than boring husbands who are working hard to support their families. The fact that the handsome photographer in the Bridges of Madison County had been divorced 5 times and been with 20 other women is not mentioned in the movie script. That said, couples do need to invest time in shared activities that they can enjoy together.



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As described in Ezra 4:4-5, Satan doesn't want us to take possession of the land! (read scripture) He

doesn't want us to rebuild a Temple in our families and community! He even hires propagandists to sap our resolve. Be careful about Satan's propagandists that seek to undermine your blessing. What are some of some of his lies about marriage?

"Soulmate" or "the one" myth: expecting a perfect partner who completes you effortlessly, with constant passion and no major conflicts. When reality hits (normal struggles), many conclude they were blessed to the "wrong" person.

Another myth is the romantic idea that **"true love is effortless destiny."** That conflicts or waning feelings signal incompatibility rather than a need for work on your relationship. The idea that "falling out of love" is justification for divorce.

Third myth: **Treating your blessed marriage like a contract** that can be upgraded or exited when it no longer meets expectations.



Make sure to prune any thorns in your Blessing (Click for next photo). Your marriage and each of you should aspire to always be growing! If you're not growing, find out what's blocking you! KEEP GOD IN YOUR LIFE AND IN YOUR BLESSING! SPEND TIME WITH GOD.

Each of you needs to have friends who support your Blessing! If you are talking with someone who is cynical or negative about Blessed Marriage, you may want to find different friends!

I do want to mention that Dorit Smith, Burgi Hutcherson, and Jim Stephens are putting together a repository of good resources to help blessed marriages that we will post on the Sanctuary website. We are also looking for elder blessed couples who are willing to mentor young couples, so if you're interested in knowing more about that please talk to Dorit, Burgi, Jim or me.



As True Father urged us, don't vacillate in claiming your inheritance!

If you claim a certain land as your land and as God's, in an absolute faith, that land is already claimed.

But there is one condition: Would you want to know it? The only condition is that: "I can never change before God." If you are really resolved to be the son or daughter of God, and you will never leave that position, and if you are sure of that, you can exercise the power. If you vacillate and are not sure of not being changed, and if you exercise that power without having deep faith, then you will be counter attacked by Satan. SMM, Day of All Things, 6-20-74

Father also taught us to be grateful in adversity:

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We must never forget that our course of trials has a providential meaning. Our path, like that of Jacob, Rachel and Leah is never just a personal trial, but is part of God's providence. As True Father prayed,

"Father! Please allow us to realize that today it is each one of us and all of us together who have the responsibility to resolve the grief of heaven, and we are in a situation where it is through ourselves that we must bring to an end the battle to resolve the enmity of heaven. SMM, "Please Allow Us To Become Filial Children Who Comfort You, Father," May 16, 1956.

May God bless you and your families!

Sincerely,

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