

## Purposes for Premarital Counseling and Assignments, #1

- I. Testimony – When and Where Did You Come to Know Jesus Christ in A Personal Way?
- II. When and Where Did You Meet Your Partner?
- III. What Attracted You to One Another?
- IV. Prepare Enrich – <http://www.prepare-enrich.com/login.html> See Minister Tommy Hoard.
- V. Previous Marriage History.
- VI. Purposes for Premarital Counseling:
  - A. Identify and solve potential problems regarding finances, communication, relatives, and friends.
  - B. Identify strengths and weaknesses.
  - C. Identify some of the adjustments that will need to be made after marriage.
  - D. To learn:
    1. God’s purposes for marriage...
    2. God’s instructions for marriage...
    3. The differences between men and women.
    4. The differences between a marriage covenant and a marriage contract...
    5. The different levels of love...
    6. How to be debt free...
    7. Factors that will contribute to marriage for a lifetime...
- VII. Assignments for Session 2:
  - A. What are God’s purposes for marriage?
  - B. What are your purposes for marriage?
  - C. What are the three levels of love in a marriage?
  - D. What are the characteristics of each of the three levels of love in a marriage?
  - E. What differences will marriage make in your relationship?
  - F. List the strengths and weaknesses of your partner...
  - G. List the things you and your partner enjoy doing together...
  - H. What changes would you like to see in your partner?
  - I. What are some of the potential problems you anticipate after marriage?
  - J. Practice praying together daily...
  - K. Recommended books on marriage:
    1. The Five Love Languages by Gary Chapman
    2. His Needs Her Needs by Willard Harley, Jr.

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