

#### IV. INTIMACY IS **PHYSICAL** AND **SPIRITUAL** (5:1)

*“31 “For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”*

*32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.”*  
Ephesians 5:31-32

*“15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not!*

*16 Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For “the two,” He says, “shall become one flesh.”*

*17 But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him.*

*18 Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body.*

*19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?*

*20 For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God’s.”*

I Corinthians 6:15-20

*Happily*  
**EVER AFTER?**

Habit 5: Maintain sexual **control** before and during marriage.

*“3 For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality;*

*4 that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor,”*  
I Thessalonians 4:3-4

#### **HAPPILY EVER AFTER**

##### **The Birds And The Bees**

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

**A.** Happily ever after? It happens...but not by accident. The truth is it takes work for a marriage to work out!

*“Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband”*  
Ephesians 5:33

**Falling in love is easy, staying in love takes hard work.**

**B.** In this series, you will you will learn the six habits of happy couples. They are:

Feb 9	The Foundation Of A Happy Marriage
Feb 16	Finding The Love Of Your Life
Feb 23	Learning To Speak The Same Language
Mar 2	Help! I’ve Married The Wrong Person
TODAY	The Birds And The Bees
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Come and discover how to be Happily Ever After.

**C. Text:** Song Of Solomon 3:6-5:1 (Pew Bible/Pg.621/Old Test)

The Happily Ever After Story Of **Solomon** And **Shulamith**.

Recommended reading, *The Act Of Marriage* by Tim & Beverly LaHaye.

## THE BIRDS AND THE BEES

### I. INTIMACY IS A HUSBAND AND WIFE (3:6-11)

*“And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.”*  
Genesis 2:25

*“Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.”*  
Hebrews 13:4

*“I Now concerning the things of which you wrote to me:  
It is good for a man not to touch a woman.  
2 Nevertheless, because of sexual immorality, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband.  
3 Let the husband render to his wife the affection due her, and likewise also the wife to her husband.  
4 The wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband does. And likewise the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife does.  
5 Do not deprive one another except with consent for a time, that you may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again so that Satan does not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.”* I Corinthians 7:1-5

*“But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints;”*  
Ephesians 5:3

### II. INTIMACY IS VISUAL AND VERBAL (4:1-8, 16)

*“...So the eyes of man are never satisfied.”*  
Proverbs 27:20b

*“I have made a covenant with my eyes; Why then should I look upon a young woman?”*  
Job 31:1

*“9 in like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing,  
10 but, which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works.”*  
I Timothy 2:9-10

*“Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.”*  
Ephesians 4:29

### III. INTIMACY IS SISTER AND SPOUSE (4:9-15)

*“Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,”*  
Ephesians 2:19

*“1 Do not rebuke an older man, but exhort him as a father, younger men as brothers,  
2 older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, with all purity.”*  
I Timothy 5:1-2

*“15 Drink water from your own cistern, And running water from your own well.  
16 Should your fountains be dispersed abroad, Streams of water in the streets?  
17 Let them be only your own, And not for strangers with you.  
18 Let your fountain be blessed, And rejoice with the wife of your youth.  
19 As a loving deer and a graceful doe, Let her breasts satisfy you at all times; And always be enraptured with her love.”*  
Proverbs 5:15-19