An open Bible with two gold wedding rings resting on the pages. The rings are positioned in the upper left quadrant of the image. The Bible text is visible in the background, including verses from Revelation. The main title is centered over the Bible.

YOUR MARRIAGE: *for God's Glory*

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The Husband's Duty of Loving and Learning



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The Husband's Duty of Loving

A. The Definition of the Husband's Loving.

1. The Characteristics of REAL love.

Patient	Does not record wrongs
Kind	No delight in evil
Not jealous	Satisfied in truth
Does not brag	Protects
Not arrogant	Trusts
Not rude	Hopes
Not selfish	Perseveres
Not easily angered	Never fails



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2. The essence of REAL love.

- The essence of real love is...
 - Giving
 - Without expecting anything in return
 - What is needed not what is wanted
- REAL love is giving others what they need without expecting anything in return.



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3. The opposite of REAL love.

- Not hating but TAKING.
- Selfishness



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B. The Model for the Husband's Loving.

1. Christ loved sacrificially.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

2. Christ loved first.

1 John 4:19 We love him, because he first loved us.

3. Christ loved unconditionally

Romans 5:6, 8 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly... But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.



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B. The Model for the Husband's Loving.

4. Christ loves continuously.

Romans 8:35-39

5. Christ loves purposefully

Ephesians 5:26-27 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.



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C. The Expression of the Husband's Loving.

1. You may love your wife by way of words.
2. You may love your wife by providing for her needs.
3. You may love your wife by protecting her.
4. You may love your wife by assisting her with her chores and responsibilities.



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5. You may love your wife by allowing her to really share your life.
6. You may love your wife by not comparing her to other people.
7. You may love your wife by demonstrating that apart from Christ, she is in first place.



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C. The Expression of the Husband's Loving.

8. You may love your wife by giving her a lot of tenderness, respect and courtesy.
9. You may love your wife by expressing appreciation and praise in large doses.



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The Husband's Duty of Learning

A. The Definition of the Husband's Learning.

1 Peter 3:7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.



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B. The Requirements of the Husband's Learning.

1. Requires humility

- Know her limitations and be gentle

1 Peter 3:7 ... giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel,...

- Know her position and be respectful

1 Peter 3:7 ...and as being heirs together of the grace of life...



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The Husband's Duty of Learning

B. The Requirements of the Husband's Learning.

2. Requires input

- Reading
- Retreats
- Conversations



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The Husband's Duty of Learning

C. The Impact of the Husband's Learning.

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The Husband's Duties of Leading, Loving and Learning

Are you a servant leader to your wife?

Are you demonstrating REAL love to your wife?

Are you a life-time student of your wife?



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