

## How to Be Happily Married

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“Although the man and his wife were both naked, they were not ashamed.” Genesis 2:25 (Contemporary English Version)

### SUMMARY:

“Many men are less than happily married. They don’t feel like they are in love and don’t understand the biblical definition of love. The Scriptures clarify the role of husband and wife. Are you less than happily married? Perhaps you are not unhappy, but you sense you are missing out on the best that marriage can offer. “

p.144 *The Man in the Mirror* by Patrick Morley

The marriage that is filled with love, genuine care, respect, and where sacrifice for one another is THE habit and kindness is THE pattern can achieve what God desires: peace and fulfillment which is genuine Spirit lead happiness.

### NOTES:

### DISCUSSION POINTS:

- What is the best part about marriage?
- What is going well in your marriage to make it work?
- What do you wish was going better in your marriage?
- It is easy for us men to get lulled into marital complacency. What can you do to show a greater care for your wife and to keep up the pursuit of her heart?

### APPLICATION:

Pick one or two applications and do them!

- Spend twenty minutes together daily for thirty days and discuss some of the questions at the end of chapter 9 in *Man in the Mirror*.
- What are three to five things you really like about your marriage. Share them with your spouse.
- Watch the movie *Fireproof* and discuss it together.
- Pray with your wife apart from meals at least 2x per wk. (put it on your calendar or in your phone as a recurring reminder and do it. If it was a tee time, none of us would miss it)

### ON YOUR OWN...

Genesis 2:18-25  
1 Peter 3:7-12

Ephesians 5:21-33  
Hebrews 13:4