

SMALL GROUP RESOURCE

Big Idea: God loves love.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Song of Songs
2 Corinthians 6:14-16
1 Corinthians 7:1-5

Genesis 2:18-25
Hebrews 13:4

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

What is your favorite poem? Why?
What does Song of Songs teach you about God's desire for marriage?

Song of Songs 2:7, 3:5, & 8:4

What is God trying to communicate to us in these verses?
Why is this message repeated 3 times in the book?
What happens to a relationship when physical oneness comes before emotional and spiritual oneness?

Song of Songs 2:16; 6:3; 7:10 & 1 Corinthians 7:1-5

What is God's design for marriage?
What does this tell us about God's desire for His relationship with us?

Song of Songs 8:6,7

Describe the kind of love being expressed here in your own words.
How does Song of Songs help you understand what it takes to develop this kind of love?

Hebrews 13:4

How does this verse impact the way you read and apply the Song of Songs?

What one thing could you do to purify -
your marriage?

your relationship with other Christians?

your relationship with God?

PRAYER FOCUS:

Praise God for His beauty.

Agree with God

about the impurities that dirty your life.

Thank God for the gift of romance and intimacy.

If married, ask God to enter your marriage
and reignite the romance.

If single, ask God to show you how to develop
relationships in a way that encourages
this kind of romance in marriage.

FAMILY RESOURCE

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READ GENESIS 2:20-25

Why did God make a woman?
How does marriage change the relationship with parents?
How well do the man and woman know each other?
Glue 2 pieces of paper together.
After they have dried, try to pull them apart.

READ PROVERBS 24:26

What can you learn about kissing from this verse?
Using lipstick, make lip prints on paper
and write this verse on it.

READ 2 CORINTHIANS 6:14-16

Look up "yoke" in the dictionary.
What does it mean?

Why is marriage like a "yoke"?
What kind of person should you marry?
Have a 3 legged race.

READ HEBREWS 13:4

How do you choose who you sleep with?
Have a family slumber party.

READ 1 CORINTHIANS 7:3-4

Who does your body belong to?
Look up "vow" in the dictionary.
Make up a list of wedding vows.

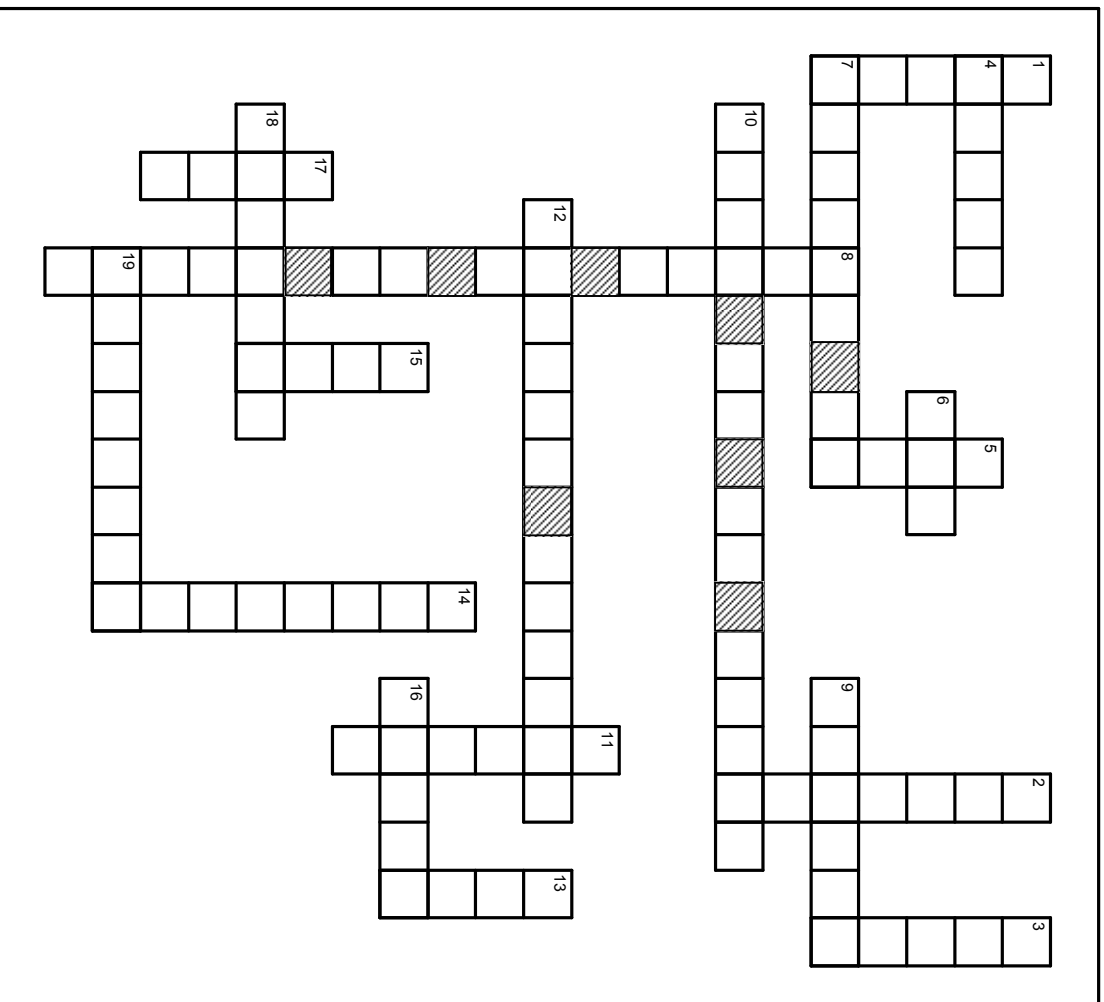
READ 1 JOHN 1:9-10

What should we do if we mess up?
Talk with each other about the consequences
of sin in the area of marriage relationships.

MEMORY VERSE:

The _____ of the _____ is the _____ knowledge,
but _____ despise _____ and _____.
Proverbs 1:7

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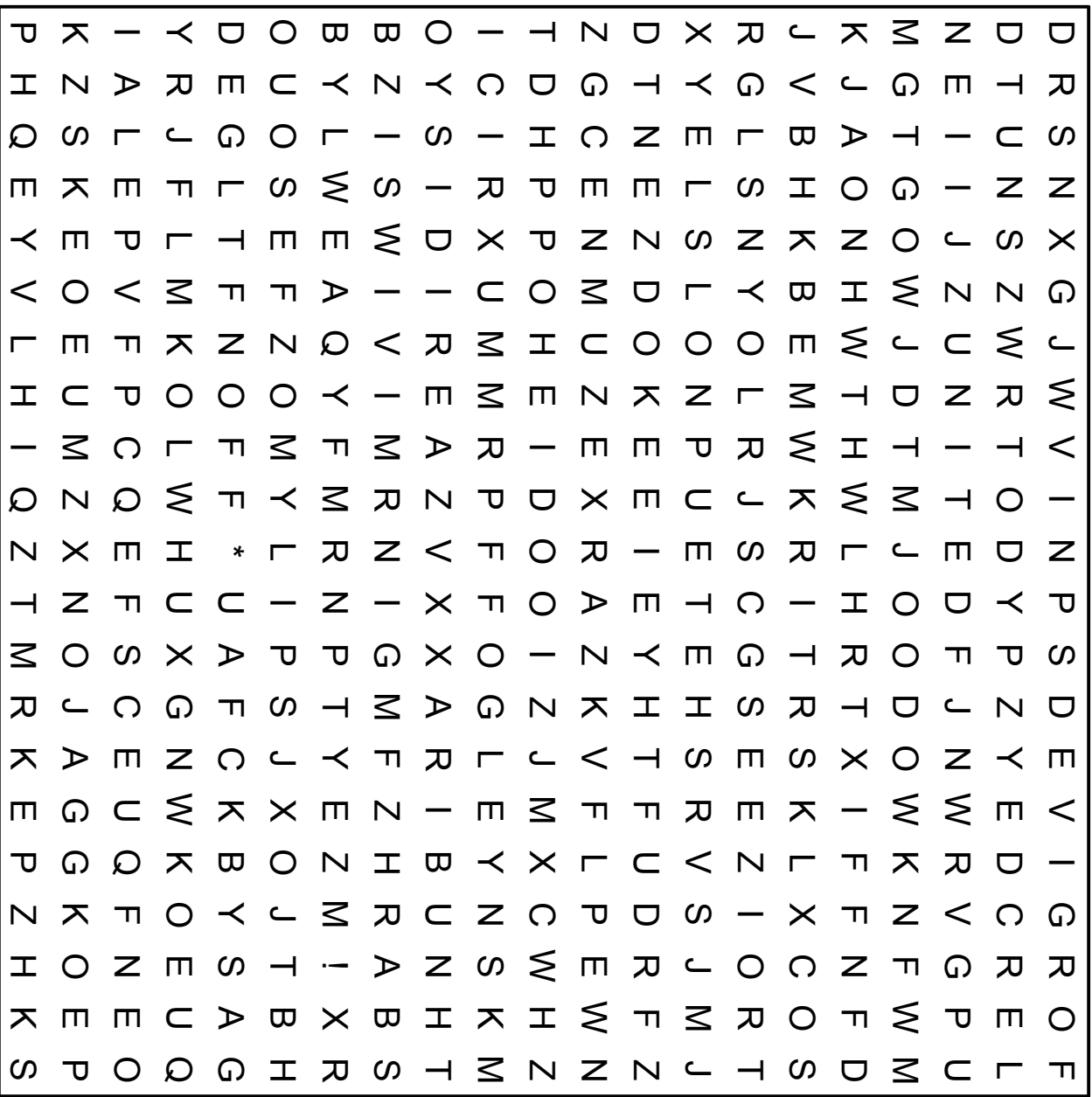
Across

4. opposite of darkness (2 Corinthians 6:14)
6. the woman was made from this (Genesis 2:22)
7. God does this (1 John 1:9)
9. joined (Genesis 2:24)
10. one description of intimacy (Genesis 2:23)
12. this is like a kiss (Proverbs 24:26)
16. married people do this to their parents (Genesis 2:24)
18. agree with God about our sin (1 John 1:9)
19. appropriate (Genesis 2:20)

Down

1. unconcious state (Genesis 2:21)
2. God does this when we confess (1 John 1:9)
3. attached (2 Corinthians 6:14)
5. an act of affection (Proverbs 24:26)
8. one description of intimacy (Genesis 2:23)
11. what Adam was missing (Genesis 2:20)
13. the marriage bed should be this (Hebrews 13:4)
14. this should be honored by all (Hebrews 13:4)
15. a place to kiss (Proverbs 24:26)
17. this belongs not to you but to your spouse (1 Corinthians 7:3-4)

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| helper | rib | suitable |
| sleep | bone of my bones | flesh of my flesh |
| leave | united | kiss |
| honest answer | lips | yoked |
| light | marriage | pure |
| body | purify us | forgive |
| confess | | |