

A World Upside Down
Pt 8: Marriage, How 1+1=1

Scripture: Matthew 5:31-32; 19:3-10; Genesis 2:18, 21-25

Discipleship Questions

1. They say that opposites attract. In light of Genesis 2:18-25 (telling how God created the first woman from Adam's "rib"), how might the differences between men and women be exactly what God intended to bring a husband and wife together? If you are married (or intend to wed at some point), how can you begin to see your spouse's differences as complementary to your own abilities and understanding?
2. Jesus said that God intended for marriage to be permanent (i.e., lifelong). How do Jesus' words influence your approach to marriage — both the process leading up to marriage and your relationship following the wedding? Regardless of your marital status (single, married, divorced, remarried), what things can you do today (and moving forward) to cultivate a lifelong marriage that aligns with God's will?