

STUDY NOTES FOR COVENANT MARRIAGE CLASS  
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I would like to discuss in these classes the aspects of living our covenants in our daily life with its struggles and problems.

*WALKING WITH GOD IN THE EVERLASTING COVENANT*

Defining a personal yet Holy, respectful relationship with our heavenly Father. Yahweh dwells in unapproachable light but He also allows us to cry "Abba Father" as adopted children.

Hebrews 13:20-21

The kingdom vision seems so real at times and attainable. Life in the truth is wonderful, rewarding and pleasant.

The very next day the kingdom vision can seem foggy, distant and unattainable.

"I feel so unworthy, will I ever make it?"

Life is a struggle. Living the covenant is hard work. However, we are not doing this alone. Remember we are walking with God, so let us slow down and take time to really listen to our heavenly father. There is a promise--a covenant--and it is rock solid. We can set our hearts and minds on this foundation. The Messiah will return and God's promises will be fulfilled. Isaiah 55

*WALKING WITH GOD IN THE MARRIAGE COVENANT*

Defining the roles of the husband and wife in God's design.

Ephesians 5:21-33

What are the husband's roles?

What are the wife's roles?

When should the husband love his wife?

When should the wife respect her husband?

When:

He is acting like her knight in shining armor.

She is the model of the princess he courted.

He is portraying I Cor. 13

She is modeling the fruit of the spirit.

And when:

He's late for supper for the 10<sup>th</sup> time.

She doesn't have supper ready.

The kids are sick.

The washing machine overflowed.

He's not portraying I Cor. 13.

She's not modeling the fruit of the spirit.

## *LEAVING A GODLY HERITAGE*

God's design for fathers, mothers and mentors

Deuteronomy 6:1-9, Psalm 23

Our young people are facing overwhelming pressures, stresses and trials in this modern world. Their values and young faith are being challenged daily. Their success in the truth depends on us teaching them to walk with God.

Our young men need a vision and an example of Godly manhood. They need stories from scripture that come alive with courage, honor, struggles and perseverance. They need us to teach and model these attributes.

Our young women need a vision and example of Godly womanhood. They need stories from scripture that show virtue, service, honor and perseverance. They need us to teach and model these attributes.

Joshua 1: 1-9, Proverbs 31: 10-31

## *WALKING WITH GOD IN OUR ECCLESIAS*

Defining our relationships with Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Philippians 2:1-4, I Corinthians 13, Galatians 5:22-26

Encouraging each other

Loving each other

Challenging each other

Strengthening each other

Holding each other accountable to God

Really listening to each other, hearing struggles, failures and successes

Being available in times of need

Remember we are on this covenant journey together.