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### Better Together 7 Sex and Romance

#### Genesis 2:24-25 (KJV)

- Cleave (Hebrew):
- To catch by pursuit/follow hard after
  - Glued to / stuck to
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  - Direct reference to physical relationship
  - Sexual love

Romantic Love – Deep seated need of the women

Sexual Love – Deep seated need of the man

#### Romance (Atmosphere of the marriage)

1. Wives need consistent romantic experiences and expressions of our love.
  - Hugs/kisses/touches
  - Non-sexual hugs...
2. Studies show 80% of a wife's need is emotional not physical.
  - Candle-lit dinners...
  - Walk on the beach...
  - Stroll in the park...
3. Tell her you love her.
  - "I told you 40 years ago... I'll let you know if I change my mind" – NO!
  - How often??

A wedding doesn't make a marriage.

Romance doesn't end at the wedding any more than sex at the honeymoon.

Guys – Fishing Illustration?

- "Catch and release policy."

"The road to a happy and successful marriage is under constant construction."

#### [5 Elements to Romance]

What makes something romantic?

1. Unexpected
  - Element of surprise
  - Repetition is the enemy of romance
2. Impractical
  - Maturity is the enemy of romance
  - Example – Weekend getaway... Motel 6 (Practical)

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3. Creative  
Example – Flowers (weeds) and a home-made card
4. Dating  
It's not the money, but the time together
5. Acts of kindness  
Gentleness/polite goes a long way with a women  
Little things count

[God sanctifies sex in marriage]  
Hebrews 13:4 (NKJV)

### Take Aways

1. We are called to cleave to our partners
2. Intimacy and romance in marriage is God ordained
3. Intimacy and Romance honor your wife and husband