

Introduction: God ordained that marriage is between a Man and Woman. Husband and Wife. Matthew 19:4-6 (NLT) Read Genesis 2:18-24 (NLT)

It was God's purpose that a man and woman come together in marriage to represent Him and be able to Glorify Him better together, than they could do so by themselves. **Ephesians 5:31-33** (NLT)

Text: Matthew 6:5-14

Outline:

I. Purpose of Marriage

A. To Glorify God – Better Together!

That is why God's word has instructed us not to "team up" be "unequally yoked together" or "partnered with" in marriage with unbelievers, this is not a suggestion, but an instruction from the Lord.

2 Corinthians 6:14-16 (NLT)

B. A Spiritual Collective.

If we really believe the Word of God and what it says, if we really believe that the purpose of this life is to bring glory to God...then marriage is no exception. This is not hard to grasp. God desires us to have eternity in common with our spouse.

This leads us to a Love Collective! First and foremost with God! And second in our relationships. Let's look at the Lord's Prayer or model prayer in the context of marriage.

II. A Love Collective Matthew 6:5-14

- A. Praise God. Together!
- B. United for God's will.
- C. In Agreement for your needs.
- D. Forgiven and Unhindered Prayers: Matthew 6:14-15; 1 Peter 3:7
- E. Stronger against your Enemy
- F. United in Worship Matthew 18:19-20