

## 1. Four Necessary Commitments.

A. I'm \_\_\_\_\_ I married you.

**Proverbs 18:22** *He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the Lord.*

-- Marriage is \_\_\_\_\_.

-- God \_\_\_\_\_ married people.

B. I \_\_\_\_\_.

**Proverbs 30:21-23** *Under three things the earth trembles; under four it cannot bear up: <sup>22</sup>a slave when he becomes king, and a fool when he is filled with food; <sup>23</sup>an unloved woman when she gets a husband, and a maidservant when she displaces her mistress.*

-- A lack of love is not \_\_\_\_\_.

C. I'm \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Proverbs 19:22a** *What is desired in a man is steadfast love...*

**Proverbs 27:8** *Like a bird that strays from its nest is a man who strays from his home.*

-- Your #1 Marriage \_\_\_\_\_.

D. I want to Bring you \_\_\_\_\_.

**Proverbs 12:4 (NIV)** *A wife of noble character is her husband's crown, but a disgraceful wife is like decay in his bones.*

-- All of the sudden, it's \_\_\_\_\_.

**Proverbs 21:21** *Whoever pursues righteousness and kindness will find life, righteousness, and honor.*

## 2. One Slow Poison - a \_\_\_\_\_ spirit.

**Proverbs 19:13** *...a wife's quarreling is a continual dripping of rain.*

**Proverbs 21:9; 25:24** *It is better to live in a corner of the housetop than in a house shared with a quarrelsome wife.*

**Proverbs 21:19** *It is better to live in a desert land than with a quarrelsome and fretful woman.*

### The other perspective:

**Proverbs 26:21** *As charcoal to hot embers and wood to fire, so is a quarrelsome man for kindling strife.*

A. Pre-marriage Warning – Make sure the person you're marrying has a \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Post-marriage Encouragement— Make sure you are not the source of \_\_\_\_\_ in your marriage.

C. What's the Big Deal?

**Proverbs 27:15-16** *A continual dripping on a rainy day and a quarrelsome wife are alike; <sup>16</sup>to restrain her is to restrain the wind or to grasp oil in one's right hand.*

-It feels like: a constant \_\_\_\_\_.

-It results in: no \_\_\_\_\_.

D. The Solution:

**Proverbs 17:14 (NIV)** *Starting a quarrel is like breaching a dam; so drop the matter before a dispute breaks out.*

-- \_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_.

-- Bible Word: \_\_\_\_\_.