

WHAT TOOLS HAVE YOU BEEN USING TO **FIX** YOUR SPOUSE?

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Hammer - anger
Screw driver - manipulation
Saw - criticism
Ear plugs - stonewalling
Duct tape - control

YOU CAN FIX YOUR SPOUSE BY FOLLOWING THREE RULES

Rule Number One: _____ yourself.

Rule Number Two: Seek _____ face.

Rule Number Three: _____ from your ways.

Repent, then healing will follow.

Humble yourself.....Healing
Seek his face.....Healing
Turn from your ways.....Healing

He will heal your home
He will heal your family
He will heal your heart

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FURTHER STUDY

1. Is there a couple whose marriage you especially respect or admire? What characteristics of their marriage do you admire?
2. Can you think of ways that you have attempted to “fix your spouse” through the years of your marriage? If so, how did that go? What did you learn from those attempts?
3. The first few chapters of Genesis tell the story of the creation of marriage. Although written long ago, the principles found there are still relevant to marriages today. What insights about marriage do you learn from Genesis 1:26-28 and Genesis 2:18-25?

What steps did God go through before bringing Adam & Eve together? Why do you think He used that process?

How would you summarize why God created marriage?

4. *For Men:* This weekend Matt talked about ways that we often attempt to “fix our spouse” with “tools” that do more damage than help. From 2 Chronicles 7:14 he gave us an outline as to how we might attempt to truly “fix” our marriages by starting with God’s work in our own heart. Read 2 Chronicles 7:14 and consider how you can better deal with letting God change your own heart rather than trying to “fix” your wife.

What can you learn about a husband’s love for his wife from Christ’s example of His love for the church (Ephesians 5:21-33)?

5. *For Women:* This weekend Matt talked about ways that we often attempt to “fix our spouse” with “tools” that do more damage than help. From 2 Chronicles 7:14 he gave us an outline as to how we might attempt to truly “fix” our marriages by starting with God’s work in our own heart. Read 2 Chronicles 7:14 and consider how you can better deal with letting God change your own heart rather than trying to “fix” your husband.

Proverbs 31 paints the picture of a godly woman. What can you learn about a wife’s respect for her husband in Proverbs 31:10-12, 25-30?



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