Marriage Seminar, Part 2

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- A. Marriage is easy until you try it. But marriage is an adventure.
- B. Little things can drive us a apart if we do not study one another.
 - 1. We must be kind to one another. (Proverbs 3:32)
 - 2. Be understanding.
 - 3. Be forgiving.
- II. Study your spouse.
 - A. Men tend to be essential minded. Women tend to be detail minded.
 - B. Men tend to be logical. Women tend to be emotional.
 - C. Men tend to use speech to convey facts. Women tend to use speech to communicate feelings.
- III. Discover your spouses language of love: words of affection, touch, time, gifts and deeds. (Ephesians 4:32)
- IV. We must accept our spouses. (Romans 15:5-7)
- V. God designed different spouses together in marriage to strengthen one another. (1 Corinthians 12, Proverbs 27:17)
- VI. God has chosen the marriage relationship to exemplify Christ's relationship with the church.
- VII. A Christian wife's real beauty comes from within. (1 Peter 3)
- VIII. For understanding in marriage, we need to communicate, pray, adjust and accept. (James 1:5)

Application questions:

1. How have you seen differences in your mate add strength?
2. What differences do you tend to struggle with the most?
3. How can you turn those differences into something positive?