# How can I improve my marriage?

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## INTRODUCTION

- That relationship gets neglected. We stop working on our marriage because we are working on so many other things.
- One of the keys to building a long-lasting, healthy marriage, satisfying marriage, is to learn to see our marriage from God's perspective.
- Marriage was not the invention of culture. It was at the very beginning that the God of heaven said, This is what works, this is what's good.

## 1 God Sees Marriage as an Enduring Relationship

**Romans 7:2–3; Matthew 19:3–6; Malachi 2:16**

- Appreciate that God sees marriage as an enduring relationship. I might add, much in contrast to the way many in our culture see marriage today.
- Until death do us part. Those aren't traditional words. They're expressions of the will of God for this relationship, that it would last a lifetime.
- What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate.
- For I hate divorce, says the Lord the God of Israel.
- It was never intended to be an experiment, was it? It was a covenant.
- Don't even put divorce on the table as an option. Don't even mention it.

## 2 A Relationship That Requires an Investment of Labor

- We need to see our marriage as an investment of labor or a relationship that requires an investment of labor.
- Several years ago, Donald Trump had divorced one of his many wives, and of course, the media really got interested in that.

## MY NOTES