

## MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS:

- I will memorize **Ephesians 5:31 (NIV)**
- I will accept Christ for the first time
- I will join the New Life church family
- I will honor God with my sex life

Join us next week as we continue our new sermon series:  
**The Relationship Code:  
 Unlocking the Secrets of Healthy Relationships**

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## The Relationship Code: Unlocking the Secrets of Healthy Relationships

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### GOD \_\_\_\_\_ SEX

*"Then the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep, and took one of his ribs and closed up the place from which he had removed it, and made the rib into a woman, and brought her to the man."*

**Genesis 2:21–22 (LB)**

*"Now although the man and his wife were both naked, neither of them was embarrassed or ashamed."*

**Genesis 2:25 (LB)**

*"So God let them go ahead into every sort of sex sin, and do whatever they wanted to—yes, vile and sinful things with each other's bodies. Instead of believing what they knew was the truth about God, they deliberately chose to believe lies. So they prayed to the things God made, but wouldn't obey the blessed God who made these things." **Romans 1:24–25 (LB)***

### GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_ FOR CREATING SEX

- TO PROMOTE \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMORY VERSE:** *"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh."*  
**Ephesians 5:31 (NIV)**

• **TO PROVIDE** \_\_\_\_\_

*"A loving doe, a graceful deer may her breasts satisfy you always, may you ever be captivated by her love."*

**Proverbs 5:18-19 (NLT)**

• **TO PRODUCE** \_\_\_\_\_

*God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number..."* **Genesis 1:28 (NIV)**

**3 KEYS TO MAXIMIZE \_\_\_\_\_ OF SEX**

**1. THE RIGHT** \_\_\_\_\_

*"For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected, but all is to be received with a prayer of thanks."*

**1 Timothy 4:4 (GN)**

*"Marriage is honorable and the marriage bed undefiled."*

**Hebrews 13:4 (NKJV)**

*"That is why I say to run from sex sin. No other sin affects the body as this one does. When you sin this sin it is against your own body. Haven't you yet learned that your body is the home of the Holy Spirit God gave you, and that he lives within you? Your own body does not belong to you. For God has bought you with a great price. So use every part of your body to give glory back to God because he owns it." **1 Corinthians 6:18-20 (LB)***

**2. THE RIGHT** \_\_\_\_\_

*"...You have made me eager for love..."*

**Song of Solomon 6:12 (GN)**

**CREATING THE ATMOSPHERE**

**(Song of Solomon - Good News Translation)**

- \* Privacy (**2:5**)
- \* Unhurried time (**5:1b**)
- \* Complimenting (**1:15-16**)
- \* Attractive attire (**4:9, 11**)
- \* Affectionate touching (**2:6**)
- \* Special places (**7:12**)
- \* Fragrances (**1:12**)
- \* Intimate talk (**4:16**)
- \* Total commitment (**8:6-7**)

**3. THE RIGHT** \_\_\_\_\_

*"A man should fulfill his duty as a husband and a woman should fulfill her duty as a wife, and each should satisfy the other's needs. The wife's body doesn't belong to her alone but also to her husband. In the same way, the husband's body doesn't belong to him alone but also to his wife."*

**1 Corinthians 7:3-4 (GN/NIV)**

*"You husbands must be careful of your wives, being thoughtful of their needs . . ." **1 Peter 3:7 (LB)***

*"A wife doesn't have authority over her own body, but her husband does. In the same way, a husband doesn't have authority over his own body, but his wife does. Don't withhold yourselves from each other unless you agree to do so for a set time to devote yourselves to prayer. Then you should get back together so that Satan doesn't use your lack of self-control to tempt you." **1 Corinthians 7:4-5 (GW)***

**Suggested Reading**

- *Intended for Pleasure*, Dr. Ed Wheat (Revell)
- *The Gift of Sex*, Dr. Cliff and Joyce Penner (Word)
- *The Purity Principle* by Randy Alcorn