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Theme: The Joy of Sex

Scripture

If a man has recently married, he must not be sent to war or have any other duty laid on him. For one year he is to be free to stay at home and bring happiness to the wife he has married.

Deuteronomy 24:5



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Comment

Earlier in the year we used this verse to comment on the importance of taking time out for your marriage but this verse implies more than that. There is an implication of taking the time out to develop a deep intimacy with each other through lovemaking.

In a busy world with lots of demands on our time, our lovemaking can suffer especially if we don't find it easy. Are we 'in the mood'? Are we stuck in a routine rut? Are there other problems that need addressing?

Lovemaking is God's gift to us to give us a deeply intimate connection. It's a vital part of our relationship with each other. A gift to be worked at and prioritised (some times we even have to schedule it in!) but also celebrated and enjoyed.

Prayer (as a couple):

Thank you, Father, for your gift of sex. Help us to be creative and understanding as we seek to meet each others needs in our love making. Amen

Prayer (for others):

We pray _____ and _____ . Please also inspire in them a new passion for each other so that they can deeply connect in this wonderful gift you have given them. Amen

Final quote:

Lover to Lover:

'The sweet, fragrant curves of your body, the soft spiced contours of your flesh, invite me, and I come. I stay until dawn breathes it's light and night slips away. You're beautiful from head to tow, my dear love, beautiful beyond compare, absolutely flawless.'

Song of Songs 4 5-7 (The Message)

Remember others will also be praying in this way this week. Together and with God we can make a difference.

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