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<p><b>Theme: Proverb 6 Jealousy</b></p>	<p><b>Date: 24 August 2012</b></p>
<p><b>Scripture: Proverbs 27 v 4</b>          Wrath is cruel and anger is an overwhelming flood, but who can stand before jealousy?</p>	<p><b>Comment:</b>          We hear a lot about managing anger these days but little about jealousy. It is said that God is jealous for the loyalty and love of his people. In other words He is passionate about us like a husband who wants our unreserved attention.          There is a right side to jealousy. Are you jealous for your partner's love? If so it won't be a controlling sort of love but will strongly desire their love in return, while allowing them the creativity to express it their way.          Jealousy is feared because it is often fierce and vengeful. But jealous love can be powerful for good like God's.</p>
<p><b>Prayer (as a couple):</b>          Lord you are fiercely jealous over us. Help us to be exclusive in our love for each other and passionate for each other. Help us avoid the negative controlling side of jealousy that will destroy our trust in each other. Amen</p>	<p><b>Prayer (for others):</b>          Lord we see where jealousy destroys, especially if family members are jealous of each other's gifts or possessions. Lord, please help our family to avoid jealousy. Show us how to rejoice in each other's good fortune and be thankful for all you have given us. Amen</p>
<p><b>Final quote: Will you take ....(your partners name) to have and to hold ..to cherish.... from this time forth.... Keeping ONLY to him/her as</b></p>	

**long as your life shall last? Will you?**

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

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