

I. Lesson 1.

What is Marriage?

II. Lesson 2.

What is Marriage Enrichment?

III. Lesson 3.

Why Do We Need to Practice Marriage Enrichment?

IV. Lesson 4.

Marriage Enrichment Begins with Safety.

V. Lesson 5.

Marriage Enrichment is Serving Our Spouses.

VI. Lesson 6.

Marriage Enrichment is Becoming One With Your Spouse.

VII. Lesson 7.

Communication is the Secret to Marriage Enrichment.

VIII. Lesson 8.

The Act of Marriage *is* Marriage Enrichment.

Introduction

Course Description

This course to teach others how to make their marriages what God intended them to be so that they can enjoy their marriages to the fullest in this life. And in so doing glorify God and enjoy Him to the fullest.

The course is not auto-didactic. Nor is it principally academic in nature. A mature teacher must be prepared to play the role of mentor to his students, rather than a mere instructor.

The number of students in the class should be small, to allow for the interchange necessary in the mentoring process. Eight to twelve students are the ideal number. The course should be as practical as possible, dealing with real life situations and problems that the leader will encounter personally and in the context of his ministry.

Finally, the teacher must keep in mind at all times, that this class is *training* in marriage enrichment, not just a teaching *about* marriage enrichment. The goal is for the student to experience a better marriage personally as a result of an increased knowledge of marriage enrichment as well as learning how to teach it to others.

Purpose of the Course

1. To establish in the mind of the student the Biblical concept and definition of a successful, fulfilling, joyous, lifelong marriage that brings glory to God and allows the couple to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.
2. To help the student develop a full understanding of God's plan revealed in His word, for marriage.
3. Identify and practice the skills, gifts and talents for the enriching of their own marriages.
4. Gain the skills to teach and counsel others to enrich their marriages.

Summary of course content.

This course will give the student the tools for a successful and long term marriage based on the principle of glorifying God and enjoying Him forever. It will provide the student with the tools necessary to lead others to happy marriages through Christ.

Objectives of the course.

- 1- Participation in classroom discussion
- 2- Comprehension of course materials
- 3- Familiarization with course bibliography
- 4- Development of ministry skills in Marriage Enrichment Education

5- Retention of course materials and application to real ministry

6- Application of course materials to their own marriage

These objectives will be evaluated in four ways (See evaluation of the course).