

*Marriage Date Night*

***Love and Respect***

**Best Use**

As a date night discussion guide

**Nutritional Value**

Helps husbands and wives become intentional about meeting their mate’s greatest need

**Advance Preparation**

* Schedule a dinner or coffee date
* Each spouse should listen to the 20 minute “Love and Respect in Marriage” talk by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs (Download available from the HomePointe podcast at iTunes).
* Each spouse should spend a few minutes writing down answers to the questions on the reverse side.

**During The Date**

Spend 15 minutes discussing your answers.

*Getting Honest About*

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**HUSBANDS**

Read aloud Ephesians 5:25-28 and answer the following questions…

* Do you agree that your wife’s primary marital need is to be cherished by you?
* What are some of the ways you try to show her sacrificial love?
* What are 2-3 ways she needs you to show love but that you might find difficult?
* What do you think your wife would say if invited to offer a few “baby step” suggestions on better meeting her needs?

**WIVES**

Read aloud Ephesians 5:22-24 and answer the following questions…

* Do you agree that your husband needs to feel respected?
* What are some of the ways you try to show that you admire and respect him?
* What are 2-3 things he would appreciate but might be more difficult for you to do?
* What do you think your husband would say if invited to offer a few “baby step” suggestions on better meeting his needs?

**TOGETHER**

Read aloud Ephesians 5:31-33. Then hold hands and pray these words…

*Dear God:  
Help us to better fulfill the purpose of our marriage by modeling the relationship between Christ and His Bride.*

*Amen*

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