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# FOUNDATIONS

BEGINNINGS AND ORIGINS

PART 10:

## THE BIBLE'S RECIPE FOR A HAPPY AND FULFILLING MARRIAGE

*Reading: Ephesians 5:25 - 33*

### **Introduction**

- After laying the foundations of the earth, Jehovah Elohim lays the foundation of society - marriage.
- There is nothing wrong with marriage - it's the people in it who cause the problems.
- Scattered throughout the Scriptures, God has given the ingredients for a happy marriage.

### **1 8oz Of DETERMINATION**

- Marriages last because 2 people make a choice to keep it, fight for it and work for it.

### **2 4oz Of FORGETFULNESS**

- [Philippians 3:13.] *"forgetting those things that are behind."*
- Forget all old flames and romances.
- Forget the idea of someone else.
- Leave - Cleave - Weave.

### 3 A Half Pint Of LOVE

- What do we mean by the word '**love**'? [Ephesians 5:25].
- Word '**love**' as in "**husbands love your wives**" comes from Greek word '**agape**'.
- It is a self sacrificing, caring commitment that only seeks the highest good of the one loved.
- Love our spouse as "**Christ loved the church and gave Himself for it.**"
- It's a love that plays second fiddle to the other.
- We love our spouse by telling them that we love them.
- Showing them that we love them.

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