

# **The Abiding Word Online**

## Biblical Principles for Christian Growth

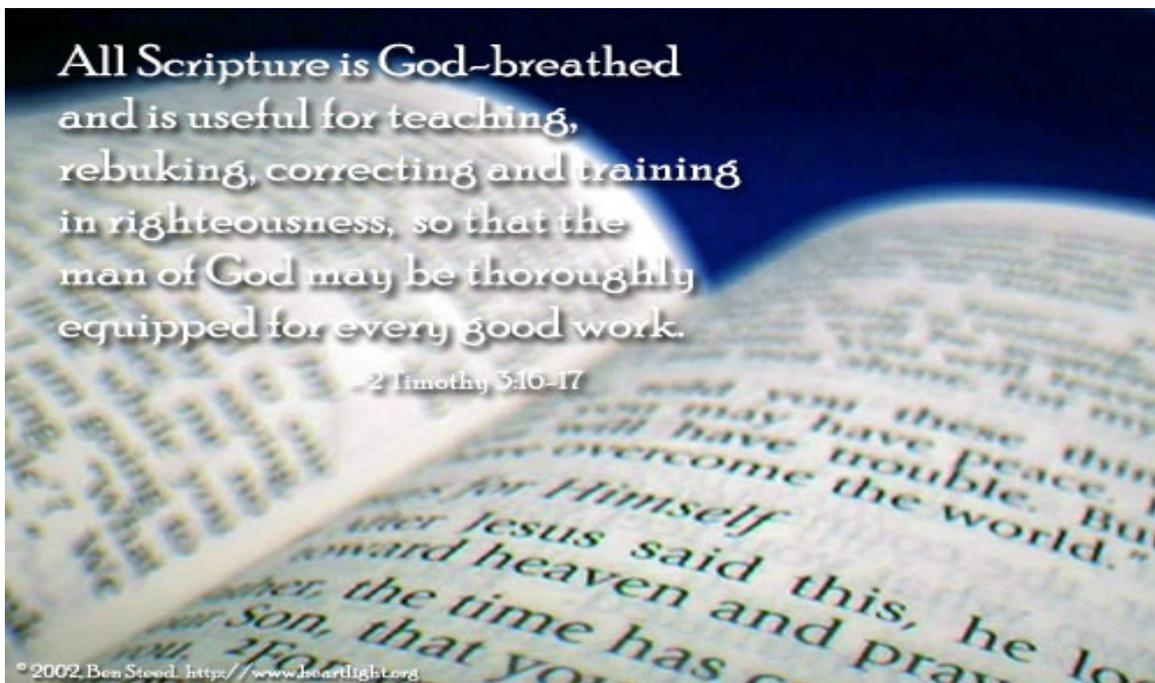
### Online Bible Study

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## **No.2 – God’s Blueprint For Marriage**

### **Introduction:**

The following outline is a simple Biblical exercise I have used many times while counseling couples planning to marry or who are married and need to have a God-focused marriage. It was originally part of my NANC training and continues to be a basic but foundational tool.

### **God’s Blueprint For Marriage (Genesis 2:24 and Malachi 2:14)**

**24** Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. **Gen 2:24 (KJV)**

### **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

**A. List three things you believe the Scripture means in Genesis 2:24.**

**Answer:**

**B. In Malachi 2:14, marriage is called a “covenant” or “contract.” What implications does this have for the marriage relationship?**

**14** Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet *is* she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant. **Mal 2:14 (KJV)**

**Answer:**

**C. In reference to marriage, Genesis 2:18 and Malachi 2:14 indicate that one of the purposes of marriage is companionship. Discuss what this means in specific terms and list five ways you are expressing and developing your companionship with one another.**

**Answer:**

**D. Discuss your marriage in terms of leaving and cleaving and oneness.**

**Answer:**

**E. Discuss and list what you can do to strengthen your marriage relationship.**

**Answer:**

**F. Discuss and list your marriage goals. What do you want out of marriage?**

**Answer:**

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