

Storybook Sex Small Group Curriculum

Week 2: You're Getting Warmer

Bottom line: The best sex is with the right person at the right time.

Summary: In the second chapter of Song of Solomon, the man and women continue to compliment each other and dream about being together. As they move closer towards marriage, they realize that love is not supposed to be awakened before it is time. This may mean that though they wanted to be together, they recognized that it was not time since they were not married. It's not a popular position in today's culture, but God's plan for sex really is for marriage. Sex is a good thing in the context of a marriage relationship. Outside of that marriage relationship, it's like a fire outside of a fireplace.

Here are some verses about sex and marriage. Look them up and discuss what they mean.

Acts 15:20 **1 Corinthians 5:1; 6:13, 18; 10:8;** **2 Corinthians 12:21;** **Galatians 5:19;** **Ephesians 5:3;** **Colossians 3:5;** **1 Thessalonians 4:3;** **Jude 7**

Song of Solomon 2:15 mentioned the little foxes. These little foxes would come into the vineyard and eat the blossoms before they would have time to grow into grapes. In relationships, there are little foxes that could nip away and keep our relationship from maturing and being all God wants it to be.

Here are some of the little foxes mentioned in the message. Do any of them jump out at you? Are there other little foxes that you need to guard against?

- Provocative pictures on your Facebook profile
- Dating people you would not marry
- Chatting with people on the Internet.
- Flirting with people in the office. Emotional affairs precede physical affairs.
- Communication – get on the same page
- Selfishness – my wife on the weekends/. Focusing on getting instead of giving is not God's plan. Self-less relationships, not selfish. *I deserve to be happy.*
- Lingering disagreements – getting historical
- Not wanting to be at home
- Unfair fighting. (have a whole section on this later)
- Not listening. (Guys, you probably really are a bad listener)

Sidebar: Perry Noble gives five questions that we can ask our spouse:

- 1) Have you ever had sex with someone other than me since we have been married?
- 2) Where have I become slack in my efforts to make you feel important?
- 3) Men ask your wife to complete this sentence: I think its romantic when you_____.
- 4) Women ask your husband to complete this sentence:I feel the most appreciated and respected when you_____.
- 5)Are you engaging in anything online that you be ashamed of if I found out?