Building Strong Fellowship in Marriage Preparation



Explore biblical fellowship principles to strengthen couples preparing for marriage through shared faith and learning.





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Introduction

Preparing for marriage is an exciting and transformative season for couples. It's a time filled with joy, hope, and, understandably, questions and challenges. One vital ingredient that can make this journey smoother and more fulfilling is *fellowship*. In the Bible, fellowship is much more than casual socializing; it's a deep connection grounded in faith, mutual encouragement, accountability, and shared purpose.

For couples preparing to unite their lives, cultivating biblical fellowship means learning together about God's design for marriage, supporting each other spiritually, and seeking God's wisdom as a team. This study plan will guide couples through five days of scripture and reflection aimed at strengthening fellowship before the vows are exchanged. It invites partners to grow closer not only to each other but also to God, fostering a foundation that will sustain their marriage through all seasons.

Throughout these days, you will explore what true fellowship looks like, how it supports love and unity, and the practical ways to nurture it in your relationship. This journey is not just about preparing for the wedding day, but for a lifetime of walking side by side in faith.

As you engage with the Scriptures, discussions, and prayers, remember that fellowship invites honesty, vulnerability, and grace. It encourages couples to listen deeply, forgive freely, and encourage consistently. Together, you will build a fellowship that honors God and blesses your marriage uniquely and







beautifully. Let's begin this transformative journey with open hearts and a desire to grow closer to each other and to God.

















Day 1: 🍑 Foundations of Fellowship

Your Verse

Acts 2:42 – "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."

Supporting Scriptures

- Hebrews 10:24–25 "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together..."
- 1 John 1:7 "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another..."







Day 1: 🍑 Foundations of Fellowship

Devotional: The Heart of Biblical Fellowship

Fellowship is more than a social gathering; it's a spiritual connection rooted in sharing life together in Christ. In Acts 2:42, we see the early church devoted to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, illustrating that true fellowship involves a commitment to grow together in faith and love.

For couples preparing to marry, this deep level of connection is essential. Just as the early believers broke bread and prayed together, so should couples intentionally share their faith journeys, fears, and hopes before joining in marriage. This builds intimacy and trust that marriage will need.

Reflect on your relationship's current fellowship: Are you spending time learning God's word together? Do you pray together regularly? Developing fellowship now lays a strong foundation for your unity in marriage.







Day 1: 🎔 Foundations of Fellowship

Reflect and Apply

1.]	How do you currently experience fellowship in your relationship?
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	What steps can you take to grow in spiritual connection with your partner?
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3.]	In what ways can shared faith shape your marriage preparation?
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Day 1: 🎔 Foundations of Fellowship

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time when you felt spiritually connected with your partner.
2.	List qualities you think define godly fellowship.
3.	Note ways you want to grow in fellowship before your wedding day.







Day 1: 🍑 Foundations of Fellowship

Prayer for Today

Lord, thank You for showing us the beauty of true fellowship. Help us, as a couple, to devote ourselves to learning, praying, and growing together. Teach us to build a relationship centered on You and guided by Your Word. May our fellowship be a strong foundation for the marriage we are preparing to enter. *In Jesus' name, Amen.*

















Day 2: 🍞 Growing Together in Unity

Your Verse

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 - "Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up."

Supporting Scriptures

- Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."
- Philippians 2:2 "Make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind."







Day 2: Forowing Together in Unity

Devotional: Strength in Spiritual Partnership

Marriage preparation invites two individuals to become a united team under God's guidance. Ecclesiastes reminds us that life's journey is better together because partners can support and uplift each other. This unity is both practical and spiritual.

As you prepare for marriage, consider this unity deeply. Spiritual fellowship means sharing not only your joys but also your struggles. It means praying together, seeking God's wisdom, and walking in humility and love.

Jesus promises His presence when even just two or three gather in His name, emphasizing that your unity in Christ is powerful. Reflect on Philippians 2:2's call to be like-minded and one in spirit — how can this shape your approach to marriage preparation? Growing together spiritually helps build resilience and joy for the life ahead.







Day 2: 🍞 Growing Together in Unity

Reflect and Apply

1.	What does unity in fellowship mean to you and your partner?
2.	How can you support each other spiritually through challenges?
3.	In what ways can praying together strengthen your relationship?







Day 2: 🍞 Growing Together in Unity

Journaling Prompts

1.	Describe your vision of spiritual unity in marriage.
2.	Recall a moment when you felt your partner lifting you up spiritually.
3.	Write a prayer asking God to help you grow as a unified couple.







Day 2: Forowing Together in Unity

Prayer for Today















Your Verse

Ephesians 4:29 – "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up."

Supporting Scriptures

- Colossians 3:13 "Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone."
- James 1:19 "Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry."







Devotional: Building Fellowship with Grace and Truth

Fellowship within marriage requires honest and loving communication. Ephesians 4:29 instructs us to speak words that build up and encourage rather than tear down. During preparation, couples discover each other's hearts, vulnerabilities, and hopes, which requires kindness and grace.

Couples will inevitably face misunderstandings and disagreements. The call to forgive and bear with each other in Colossians 3:13 is crucial in marriage preparation. These habits of grace laid early prevent resentment from taking root and foster deeper trust.

James 1:19 reminds us that good communication also demands patience – listening more and reacting slower. Practice these principles in your fellowship daily by speaking truth with love and being quick to listen.







Reflect and Apply

	How do you currently communicate with your partner in challenging moments?
2.	What role does forgiveness play in your relationship?
3.	How can you practice listening more and speaking with grace?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time forgiveness helped your relationship grow.
2.	List ways you can foster honest and loving communication.
3.	Reflect on how listening deeply changes your connection.







Prayer for Today

Lord, teach us to communicate with love and patience. Help us to listen attentively and speak words that build up our relationship. Give us the grace to forgive and the humility to seek reconciliation quickly. May our fellowship be marked by truth, kindness, and understanding as we prepare for marriage. Thank You for guiding our hearts. Amen.















Your Verse

Joshua 24:15 - "...as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 133:1 "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!"
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16–18 "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances..."







Devotional: Growing Closer through Shared Devotion

Building fellowship includes establishing shared spiritual habits. Joshua's declaration to serve the Lord as a household sets a powerful example for couples preparing for marriage. Making God central to your life together invites His blessing and purpose.

Psalm 133 celebrates the unity and goodness when God's people dwell together, showing that spiritual harmony is a key to joyful fellowship. As you prepare for your marriage, explore developing prayer rhythms, worship habits, and gratitude practices as a couple.

1 Thessalonians 5:16–18 encourages rejoicing, continual prayer, and thanksgiving — all critical for nurturing a marriage centered on God. These habits foster spiritual intimacy and resilience.







Reflect and Apply

1.	What spiritual habits do you currently share as a couple?
2.	How can establishing shared spiritual practices impact your marriage?
	Which new spiritual discipline could you start together during preparation?
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Journaling Prompts

1.	List spiritual activities you want to do together regularly.
2.	Write about how you envision serving the Lord as a couple.
3.	Reflect on moments when shared prayer strengthened your bond.







Prayer for Today

Father, help us to serve You faithfully as a couple. Teach us to build spiritual habits that draw us closer to You and each other. May our home be a place of unity, prayer, and thanksgiving. Strengthen our hearts so that we can walk this journey with joyful devotion. We commit our lives and future together to You. Amen.







Day 5: Commitment to Lifelong Fellowship









Day 5: W Commitment to Lifelong Fellowship

Your Verse

Ecphesians 5:21 - "Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ."

Supporting Scriptures

- 1 Corinthians 13:7 "It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."
- Romans 12:10 "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves."







Day 5: V Commitment to Lifelong Fellowship

Devotional: A Covenant of Love and Respect

As you approach your wedding day, consider the lifelong commitment to fellowship marriage calls for. Ephesians 5:21 highlights mutual submission rooted in reverence for Christ — a powerful framework for marriage where both partners honor and serve one another.

1 Corinthians 13:7 reminds us that love perseveres and trusts, even through difficulties. This enduring fellowship requires dedication to protect and nurture the relationship daily.

Romans 12:10 encourages wholehearted devotion and honoring each other above self-interest. True fellowship in marriage is a covenant of love, grace, and respect that lasts a lifetime.

As you prepare for marriage together, commit to prioritizing this fellowship deeply and intentionally. Remember, a strong marriage is built on daily acts of love, humility, and shared spiritual commitment.







Day 5: 💖 Commitment to Lifelong Fellowship

Reflect and Apply

1.	What does mutual submission mean in your relationship?
2.	How can you prioritize love and honor in your marriage preparation?
3.	What daily actions will cultivate lifelong fellowship with your partner?







Day 5: 💖 Commitment to Lifelong Fellowship

Journaling Prompts

	Write a vow to yourself about your commitment to fellowship in marriage.
2.	List ways you can show honor and love to your partner daily.
3.	Reflect on how reverence for Christ shapes your relationship.







Day 5: V Commitment to Lifelong Fellowship

Prayer for Today

Lord, as we prepare to join in marriage, help us to submit to one another out of reverence for You. Teach us to love with patience, hope, and perseverance. May our commitment to fellowship be a reflection of Your love—steadfast and true. Strengthen our hearts to honor and serve each other for life. *Thank You for guiding us into this sacred covenant.* Amen.







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