



## RCCG HOUSE FELLOWSHIP STUDENT MANUAL 2 JULY 2023

### Description

This is RCCG HOUSE FELLOWSHIP STUDENT MANUAL 2 JULY 2023 LESSON FORTY-FOUR (44). The topic is **THE FIRST INSTITUTION**.

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## **RCCG HOUSE FELLOWSHIP STUDENT MANUAL 2 JULY 2023 (LESSON 44)**

**TOPIC: THE FIRST INSTITUTION**

**MEMORY VERSE: Mark 10:7 (KJV)**

For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife;

**BIBLE TEXT: Mark 10:6-10 (KJV)**

<sup>6</sup> But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female.

<sup>7</sup> For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife;

<sup>8</sup> And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh.

<sup>9</sup> What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

<sup>10</sup> And in the house his disciples asked him again of the same matter.

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# LESSON INTRODUCTION

Marriage is the first institution set up by God for man after the creation. It is older than the church and any other human government or institution.

In Genesis 2:21-25, God caused a deep sleep to come upon Adam, took one of his ribs, and with it formed the woman (Eve), brought her to Adam and solemnised their marriage as man and wife. Adam recognised Eve as the bone of his bones.

God declared them as one flesh with the instruction to cleave to one another. Our Lord Jesus in Mark 10:9-10 reiterated this divine pronouncement with an instruction that no man should break the marriage covenant.

## LESSON OUTLINE ONE: WHY MARRIAGE?

At creation, God confirmed that man cannot succeed in his assignment of fruitfulness, multiplication, replenishment, and domination of the earth alone- Genesis 2:18-20. He therefore formed the woman to provide a help meet for him.

Marriage is therefore important for the following reasons:

1. To obey the command of God for fruitfulness – Genesis 1:28, as well as the continuity of the human race (procreation). Genesis 9:1
2. For fellowship and partnership. Genesis 2: 18 & 24, Ecc. 4:9-11
3. To satisfy the sexual and emotional desires that can only be established in marriage. 1 Corinthians 7:2, 9

## LESSON OUTLINE TWO: BEFORE YOU TAKE THAT STEP

The Bible in Genesis 24:3-8, 2 Corinthians 6:14-18 gives us the blueprint of the appropriate steps to take before we go into marriage knowing that God does not support divorce – Malachi 2:16. You must know that;

1. You cannot marry an unbeliever. 2 Cor. 6:14, Gen. 24:3
2. You need God's guidance for your marriage life partner. Gen. 24:12, Psalm 37:5
3. You need a close relationship with God before marital relationship. Matt. 6:33
4. You cannot engage in pre-marital sex during courtship. Hebrew 13:4
5. God's pronouncement on marriage covenant is irrevocable. Mark 10:9
6. Marriage is for adults and not children (be ready). You need maturity to overcome challenges in marriage and the resources to take care of your home. Gen. 2:15-18, 1Tim. 5:8

### ACTIVITY:

Mention what made the first family fall.

## **SUMMARY:**

Maturity is required before ONE SAYS I DO. Marriage is for adults not for children

## **CONCLUSION: RCCG HOUSE FELLOWSHIP STUDENT MANUAL 2 JULY 2023**

Our heavenly Father is the best friend and guide anyone can have. He is the one that made the first help meet for the first man and He is still on the throne – Daniel 4:17. He knows the bone of your bones from the foundation of the earth, ask for His guidance. Proverbs 3:5-6

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## **PRAYER POINTS: RCCG HOUSE FELLOWSHIP STUDENT MANUAL 2 JULY 2023**

1. Father, thank You because You reign in the affairs of men. Daniel 4:17
2. Father, thank You for every marriage in the RCCG. Psalms 100:4-5
3. Father, please repair every broken marriage in RCCG in Your mercy.
4. Father, please bind every couple in RCCG together with Your cord of love that can never be broken.
5. Father, please let our young men and women trust You alone for their marriage partners.

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