

STAY FAITHFUL!

God's Top Ten - Part 7

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Exodus 20:14

*"Give honor to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage. God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery."
Hebrews 13:4 (NLT)*

1. THE SEVENTH COMMANDMENT.

"You shall not commit adultery." Exodus 20:14 (NIV)

WHY?

■ IT DESTROYS THE EMOTIONAL UNION

*"...Sex is as much spiritual mystery as physical fact... the two become one"
I Corinthians 6:16 (Mess)*

■ IT IS A DIRECT OFFENSE AGAINST GOD

"Flee from sexual immorality...Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you... You are not your own; you were bought with a price. Therefore honor God with your body." I Corinthians 6:18-20 (NIV)

2. FIVE INGREDIENTS FOR A LASTING LOVE

A. ATTENTION

"In the same way, you husbands must give honor to your wives. Treat her with understanding as you live together. She may be weaker than you are, but she is your equal partner in God's gift of new life. If you don't treat her as you should, your prayers will not be heard." I Peter 3:7 (NLT).

B. ACCEPTANCE

"Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God." Romans 15:7 (NIV)

"But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness." Hebrews 3:13 (NIV)

C. ADJUSTMENT

"Honor Christ by submitting to each other." Ephesians 5:21 (NLT)

D. AFFECTION

*"Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ send Greetings."
Romans 16:16 (NIV)*

E. AMNESTY

“Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.” Colossians 3:13 (NIV)

“Come, let's talk this over, says the Lord; no matter how deep the stain of your sins, I can take it out and make you as clean as freshly fallen snow. Even if you are stained as red as crimson, I can make you white as wool!” Isaiah 1:18 (LB)