

# ARE WE THERE YET?



**I Am a Husband / Wife**  
Mark 10:1-12, Deuteronomy 24:1-5

## Key concepts:

1. Marriage is a covenant, not a contract.
2. Marriage is about achieving oneness.

## Instructions:

- A. Stop looking to get out of it.
  - B. Stop looking to get something out of it.
  - C. Start pouring all you can into it.
3. Marriage is about making the other person happy.

## Staying in the same room:

1. Deal with things.
2. Embrace grace.
3. Pursue understanding.
4. Work on your own junk.

# GROWTH *guide*

*For those who are passionate about their faith!*

**In the beginning God created the family, beginning with the first husband and wife—Adam and Eve. What can we learn about being better mates from the following passages?**

Monday | **Genesis 2:18-25**

Why do you think God waited to create Eve? How was each Adam and Eve to contribute to their relationship? What do you think “oneness” looks like? How do you make your mate’s life better?

Tuesday | **Matthew 19:1-10**

What was God’s plan for marriage from the beginning? How is marriage a spiritual event? What is God’s plan for your marriage? How are you following that plan?

Wednesday | **Ephesians 5:21-33**

What does it mean to submit to one another? How is the husband supposed to treat his wife? How is the wife supposed to treat her husband? What is the attitude both most possess?

Thursday | **1 Peter 3:1-7**

What is your role in your marriage? In what ways could you improve what you bring to the relationship? What spirit (or even posture) do we need to offer to our mates?

Friday | **1 Corinthians 13:4-8**

What characteristics of love are listed? Which are easiest for you to show? Which are hardest? Which of these will you intentionally commit to living out today in your relationship?

Sunday preview | **Ephesians 6:1-4**

Children are supposed to obey their parents—but what responsibility does the parent play in the relationship?