

Couples In Bloom – Unsolicited Love

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It was June of 2009, one year ago this month, when we opened our heart by including some practical instruction regarding intimacy along with our monthly ministry update. The flood of positive responses prompted such sharing to continue ever since. God's power plus our testimony of it is what overcomes evil ⇒ Revelation 12:11. **God's heart is to heal relationships**, and many people and marriages are certainly longing for that.

Jesus helped people regardless of spiritual condition – except when they refused. This is our approach as well. Our [Intimate Anatomy](#) workbook is general and our person-to-person ministry is specific. We write concentrated content and then leave it open-ended to encourage personal application, which intimacy requires. Some people shut down after reading the workbook, which is okay; everyone has a free will.

God wants intimacy with us so much that He let our sins murder His innocent Son, just to make it possible. Our response as the Bride of Christ completes the relationship. **The key to intimacy is unsolicited love ⇒ 1 John 4:19 we love because He loved first.** Anyone can have out-of-this-world intimacy with God, because He is already passionate for His Bride (everyone is welcome – just look up the word *whosoever* in the King James Version of the New Testament and read many invitations). There is no reason not to.

God also wants intimacy in our marriages. It is *more* than just God's will that we give **unsolicited love** to our spouse (as if His will wasn't reason enough). It is also:

1. **Holy:** **God made** this pattern for relationship with **Him** and our spouse; **it is holy!**
2. **Worship:** **How** we love our **spouse** is part of **how** we honor and worship **God**, who entrusted them to us; **worship is far more than music we sing – it's everyday living.**
3. **Satisfying:** God knows that marriage **needs** irreconcilable differences to illustrate the necessity of two-way voluntary servanthood (*think about this for awhile*). **Nothing** satisfies like being on both ends of **unsolicited love**.

Does honeymoon-excitement-deepened-further-by-experience sound good to you? **God** designed this intimacy **and** created us to want it **and** has it available **and** helps us do it **and** made it bless both partners in the relationship **and** it works eternally with Him, our Bridegroom, **plus** with our spouse here on earth. Anything 'better' than this would violate our free will. Christians need revelation and conviction on the power of practicing **unsolicited love**; spouses also **need unsolicited love** to love **and** to be loved God's way.

As daily quiet time with God produces intimacy with God, so daily quiet time with our spouse builds intimacy with our spouse. Every aspect of marriage has Biblically found revelation from relationship with God – because that's where marriage **originated**. We emphasize this because **God's design has answers** to relationship problems people have.

Unsolicited love has the power to (re)produce goodness; nothing else can. Aren't you glad that the only true God works this way? Aren't you glad He made marriage to use the same success method? Then receive and give **unsolicited love**. ♥ Loren & Kathy Falzone