



Part 4: A Familiar Conversation

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A Common Axiom

Familiarity breeds contempt

A Common Perspective

Familiarity breeds boredom

Biblical Truth

In a godly relationship...

Familiarity breeds reflection

Who is this coming up from the wilderness like a column of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and incense made from all the spices of the merchant? – Song of Songs 3:6

Familiarity breeds appreciation

Him to Her: Song of Songs 4:1-9

Her to Him: Song of Songs 5:10-16

Familiarity breeds connection

Let him lead me to the banquet hall,
and let his banner over me be love. – Song of Songs 2:4

My beloved is mine and I am his;
he browses among the lilies. – Song of Songs 2:16

The Long-term Perspective

The simple joy of deepening lines is the knowledge

I have loved and been loved longer.

Next Steps

Imago Dei Class

4 Thursday Evenings, Nov. 10–Dec. 8 • 6:30–8:00 PM

(Not meeting on Thanksgiving)

“Imago Dei” literally means image of God and speaks to our unique privilege and responsibility as those created in God’s image. Find out everything you’ve always wanted to know about sex, sexuality, gender and being the person God created you to be. This 6-session co-ed class is for anyone curious about the God-given differences between men and women, anyone questioning whether or not they are good enough, or any person who wants to honor God in his or her sexuality. Taught by Karolyn Merriman. *Sorry, no child care available.*

24/7 Prayer Team

Each member of the 24/7 Prayer Team commits to pray at a specific time every week so that we can cover the church in prayer 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Participants receive Pastor Grant’s weekly prayer letter outlining general prayer needs for the church and its ministries. Today in the Commons you can sign up for a specific hour or more that you will pray each week.

Small Group Questions

- 1) An axiom is a widely accepted piece of information or wisdom. One of my favorites is “joy is a choice. Is there an axiom or two that you live your life by?”
- 2) Adding value to people is a daily decision. What do you do to show someone you value them?
- 3) Long-term relationships seem so challenging in our culture. Why do you think that is?
- 4) What are some ways you cultivate a long-term passionate relationship with Jesus?
- 5) Have you experienced Jesus’ banner of love over you this past week? In what ways?
- 6) How can we pray for you right now and throughout the week?