

When Sparks Fly

Part 2 of the *Pure: The naked truth* sermon series

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Myth: It's inevitable that everything will go downhill in your relationship after you get married.

[Love] burns like blazing fire, like a mighty flame. Many waters cannot quench love; rivers cannot sweep it away.
Song of Songs 8:6-7

Your cheeks are beautiful with earrings, your neck with strings of jewels.
Song of Songs 1:10

How beautiful you are, my darling! Oh, how beautiful! Your eyes are doves.
Song of Songs 1:15

Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come, the cooing of dove is heard in our land. The fig tree forms its early fruit; the blossoming vines spread their fragrance. Arise, come, my darling; my beautiful one, come with me.
Song of Songs 2:12-13

Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth—for your love is more delightful than wine. Pleasing is the fragrance of your perfumes; your name is like perfume poured out. No wonder the young women love you! Take me away with you—let us hurry!
Song of Songs 1:2-4

- Physical attraction

- Two big problems with looks:
- They don't last forever
 - They can be deceiving

A beautiful woman who rejects good sense is like a gold ring in a pig's snout.
Prov 11:22 HCS

- The way he/she loves

"For your love is more delightful than wine", "how delightful is your love, my sister, my bride!"
Song of Songs 1:2, 4:10

Look for a love that is...

- Patient
- Kind
- Not self-seeking
- Rooted in a love for Jesus

- Godly character

You have forsaken the love you had at first. Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first.
Rev 2:4-5

When attraction begins to fade, do the things you did at first.

Next Steps

Take some time to answer the following questions with your spouse, children, or small group...

- 1) What's your favorite love song and why?
- 2) If married, what was it that first attracted you to your spouse?
- 3) What does it look like for married couples to be attracted to each other? Is it similar to what is experienced in young love? Does it change? Explain.
- 4) Read Revelation 2:4-5. What do you think it means for a marriage to "*do what you did at first?*" What are some things your spouse used to do for you when you first met that you'd love him/her to do again?
- 5) How can we pray for you?