

## **MARRIAGE SEMINAR QUOTES—SEX, ROMANCE, AND THE GLORY OF GOD QUOTES**

**“God created us in His image, male and female, with personhood and sexual passion, so that when He comes to us in this world there would be these powerful words and images to describe the promises and the pleasures of our covenant relationship with Him through Christ.**

**God made us powerfully sexual so that He would be more deeply knowable. We were given the power to know each other sexually so that we might have some hint of what it will be like to know Christ supremely.” ~Piper**

**“My conviction is that the better you know the supremacy of Christ, the more sacred and satisfying and Christ-exalting your sexuality will be.” ~Piper**

**“Sex is good because the God who created sex is good. And God is glorified greatly when we receive His gift with thanksgiving and enjoy it the way He meant for it to be enjoyed. The reason we like sex so much is that it is a little bit like the God who created it. Therefore, the more sex is enjoyed in ways redolent of its Creator, the better sex is for all involved-to God’s glory and our sanctification and joy.” ~Piper**

**“This is a piquant irony. Here we are, with all our high notions of ourselves as intellectual and spiritual beings and the most profound form of knowledge for us is a plain business of skin on skin. It is humiliating. When two members of this godlike, cerebral species approach the heights of communion between themselves, what do they do? Think? Speculate? Meditate? No, they take off their clothes. Do they want to get their brains together? No. It is the most appalling of ironies: Their search for union takes them quite literally in a direction away from where their brains are.”**

**~Thomas Howard**

**“This is what sex is finally about: one man and one woman to the end, loving and caring for each other’s bodies, with their bodies.” ~Piper**

**“The tone of Song of Solomon is ‘eros without shame’.” ~Ben Patterson**

**“The couple in Song of Solomon relish their pleasure for each other not only with physical action, but with carefully composed words. Love is above all, a matter of the mind and heart and should be declared...This communication is a highly intentional, creative, provocative, erotic language. It’s purpose is to arouse romantic passion-to inflame slowly and intentionally, all the while honoring and delighting one’s spouse. It is exotic, extravagant verbal foreplay.” ~  
C.J.Mahaney**

**“In order for romance to deepen, you must touch the heart and mind of your wife before you touch her body. This, gentlemen, is a truth that can change your marriage. Nothing kindles erotic romance in a marriage like a husband who knows how to touch the heart and mind of his wife before he touches her body.”**

**~C.J. Mahaney**