



# WISEBERG

*Seeing Wisely*

## Session # 1:

### What discoveries await you?

What insights and wisdom will you acquire? What discoveries and surprises await you? Here we will give you a glimpse of what to expect. Remember, we are not offering just some good relationships tips, we are offering **God-given blueprint for how to build wonderful marriage that will last.**

Marriage, as you may know, has this mysterious power to transform your entire life – to bring you down into misery, or to lift you up and improve everything in your life; bringing you joy and happiness, meaning and well-being, emotional, physical and financial, and countless other things.

Taking this course, therefore, may as well be – **the best investment of [in] your life.**

Our relationships are not the simplest thing, quite contrary. Therefore, to get them right, it involves so much more than just learning a few principles. We need to aim deeper; we need to be as wise as possible as there are so many questions that need to be addressed and answered; some give us firm foundations to stand on, others reveal subtleties of marriage.

Ready? Here we go! This is a brief summary of what you will learn.

### Cultural influence

Do you know how much the surrounding culture influences us and our chances to happy relationships? If we don't know it, then it is like walking in darkness. We will need to shed some light to this issue and that's exactly how we will begin this course.

### Our worldview

Do you know how much your internal convictions and assumptions influence your chances to be happy? Aha! And often we are not even aware of them. Often, we travel through this life seeing it as through distorted or obscure glasses, so to speak. We will try to assess and correct them if needed.

### Which marriage?

Do you know that the wrong questions can limit our ability to get the right answers? For example, what sort of marriage do you favour - traditional model or contemporary? We will learn that there is another alternative, much better than any of these.

## Who am I?

Then the big one – who am I? Who am I as human being? This is very important – the way you answer this one will determine how you see yourself and how you see others. We certainly need to get this one right.

## Greatest obstacle

Do you know what may be the greatest obstacle to happy relationships? We need to be aware of this, otherwise we can't deal with this obstacle, and then we are left exposed to different sorts of problems, without even grasping what is happening. We will learn about it as well.

## Men and women

It is so undeniably obvious that men and women are fundamentally different. However, there is a great confusion in this respect these days. We will look at it from two perspectives – first, what Scriptures teach us, and, second, what the contemporary research reveals to us. These are going to be fun sessions.

**Then we will finally move closer to the very heart of the matter – to the deep insights about the institution of marriage.**

## How to see marriage?

Do you know how to think about marriage? How to approach it? There is a lot of confusion in our society. We will work through it, so that we get a clear picture, so that we learn how to see marital relationships wisely.

## What is marriage?

Do you know what makes marriage a marriage? Aha! We will learn about three foundational elements that make marriage a marriage and without which it just won't work as supposed. You will know them.

## Purposes of marriage

Do you know what are the three purposes of marriage? If we don't know what this institution – marriage – is designed for, how can we know how to do it right and even more, how to enjoy it? We will learn that too.

## Registration of marriage

“What is the point of that paper?” This is what people often ask about the formal registration of their relationships. That is a reasonable question, and there is a very good answer, a very good one, and we all can only benefit from knowing it.

## Marriages in the Bible

But how can we learn what the Bible teaches about marriage if there are so many different, some of them crazy relationships depicted in the Bible? This is again a very good question, a very important one and, yes, we will explore it as well.

## Secrets on happy marriage

Now, do you know what are the key things that men and women long for? What are the key things that will make your relationships satisfying and fulfilling?

Did you know that men and women have very different expectations when it comes to relationships? This is paramount to get this right; otherwise, we may be toiling in vain and never getting to experience the beauty of our relationships in its fullness. We will make sure you know the answers to these questions.

## Singleness

But what about single people? Is there any wisdom for them? Sure, there is and we will briefly share it as well.

## Sex

Are we going to learn something about sex? Most certainly we will! This is such an important topic, often neglected, but there is such beauty in Biblical teaching on sex and physical pleasures, and we will go there as well. And not just once.

## Some warnings

Sexual desires... it is a very powerful force, and as such they can also be dangerous and destructive if not enjoyed wisely. So, we will map out what to be conscious about.

## The Commandments

What do you think about the Commandments? Yes, about the Ten Commandments! Often people think about them as some sort of rules; maybe good rules, but still just rules. But they are so much more, so much more.

We will learn how we all can benefit from the 6<sup>th</sup> Commandment which sets out to protect our relationships, our hearts, our happiness and, yes, our sexual pleasures.

## Divorce

Are you thinking about divorce? This is such a painful reality, and unfortunately there are too many of them. Far too many... Most of them could be prevented, if we had acquired some wisdom that could help us, and, yes, we will acquire it.

## Super-powers

Finally, do you have any superpowers? Would you like to have some? We would definitely benefit if we have them when it comes to our relationships, to our marriages. We will teach you how to recognize and cultivate 4 super-powers which will help you to succeed in your relationships.

**That's about it...** that's what your blueprint for great relationships will consist of.

Along the way there will be some other tips and insights, and as time goes, we may add a few more topics, but if you master well what was mentioned so far, if you get this wisdom and apply it to your lives, it will make a huge difference. It will set you up for wonderful relationships that will last forever. *May the Wisdom be with you!*