



All relationships take vision, intentional effort and the right tools to stay healthy and grow. These can be fostered through intentional quality time together in prayer and focused effort on specific areas of the relationship that a couple agrees upon. With literally thousands of books available on the topic of relationships, we've tried to narrow the list to those we believe address each subject best.

Some books may be available in FAC's library or for purchase at FAC's Cornerstone Marketplace, or at [www.amazon.ca](http://www.amazon.ca)

### Establishing a Strong and Healthy Marriage

- Chapman, Dr. Gary – *The Five Love Languages: How to Express Heartfelt Commitment to Your Mate*
- Cloud, Dr. Henry and Dr. John Townsend – *Boundaries in Marriage*
- Eggerichs, Dr. Emerson – *Love and Respect*
- Feldhahn, Jeff and Shaunti – *For Men Only: A Straightforward Guide to the Inner Lives of Women*
- Feldhahn, Shaunti – *For Women Only: What You Need to Know About the Inner Lives of Men*
- Ferguson, Dr. David and Teresa – *Intimate Encounters*
- Farrel, Bill and Pam – *Men Are Like Waffles—Women Are Like Spaghetti*
- Harley, Dr. Willard F. Jr. - *His Needs/Her Needs*. This is an excellent, practical guide to meeting the five most common needs of husbands, and the five most common needs of wives.
- Keller, Timothy – *The Meaning of Marriage*
- Kendrick, Stephen and Alex Kendrick – *The Love Dare*
- Kimmel, Dr. Tim – *Grace Filled Marriage*
- Krafsky, Jason and Kelli – *Facebook and Your Marriage*
- Lewis, Robert and William Hendricks – *Rocking the Roles: Building a Win-Win Marriage*
- Murrow, David. - *What Your Husband Isn't Telling You: A Guided Tour of a Man's Body, Soul and Spirit*.
- Piper, John – *This Momentary Marriage: A Parable of Permanence*
- Savage, Tim – *No Ordinary Marriage*
- Smalley, Dr. Greg and Dr. Robert Paul – *The DNA of Relationships for Couples*
- Thomas, Gary L. – *Sacred Marriage*
- Tripp, Paul David – *What Did You Expect??*
- Williams, Joe and Michelle – *Yes, Your Marriage Can be Saved*

### Spiritual Intimacy and Devotionals for Couples

- Ferguson, Dr. David and Teresa – *Never Alone: Devotions for Couples*
- Scazzero, Peter – *Emotionally Healthy Spirituality*
- Willard, Dallas – *Renovation of the Heart in Daily Practice: Experiments in Spirituality*

## Before You Marry

- Biehl, Bobb and Cheryl – *Getting to “Really Know” Your Life-Mate-to-Be*
- Cloud, Dr. Henry and Dr. John Townsend – *Boundaries in Dating*
- Gudgel, David – *Before You Get Engaged*
- Gudgel, David – *Before You Live Together*

## Before You Remarry

- Deal, Ron and David Olson – *The Remarriage Checkup: Tools to Help Your Marriage Last a Lifetime*
- Wright, H. Norman – *Before You Remarry: A Guide to Successful Remarriage*

## The First Years of Marriage

- Gottman, Drs. John and Julie – *And Baby Makes Three*
- Wheat, Ed – *First Years of Forever*

## Sexual Intimacy

- Lehman, Dr. Kevin – *Sheet Music: Uncovering the Secrets of Sexual Intimacy in Marriage*
- McCluskey, Christopher and Rachel – *When Two Become One: Enhancing Sexual Intimacy in Marriage*
- Rosenau, Dr. Douglas – *A Celebration of Sex: A Guide to Enjoying God’s Gift of Married Sexual Pleasure*
- Wheat, Dr. Ed – *Intended for Pleasure: Sex Technique and Sexual Fulfillment in Christian Marriage (Third Edition)*

## Stewardship and Finances

- Burkett, Larry – *The Complete Financial Guide for Young Couples: a Lifetime Approach to Spending, Saving and Investing*
- Ramsey, Dave – *The Total Money Makeover: A Proven Plan for Financial Fitness*

## Dealing with Past Addictions - Abuse - Infidelity

- Allender, Dan – *The Wounded Heart: Hope for Adult Victims of Sexual Abuse*
- Carder, David – *Torn Asunder: Recovering from an Extramarital Affair*
- Schaumburg, Dr. Harry W – *False Intimacy - Understanding the Struggle of Sexual Addiction*
- Tracy, Steve – *Mending the Soul: Understanding and Healing Abuse*

## Parenting

- Kimmel, Dr. Tim – *Grace Based Parenting*
- Kimmel Murray, Karis – *Grace Based Discipline*
- Leman, Dr. Kevin – *The Birth Order Book*
- Rainey, Dennis – *Interviewing Your Daughter’s Date*
- Smalley, Gary – *The Blessing*

\*Much of this list was sourced from the SBC.