



THE **MIRACLE OF MARRAIGE**

Is there hope for genuine LASTING LOVE?

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MARRIAGE IS A MIRACLE of Divine Design

It is not, as is so often thought today, a creation of human whim but rather a creation of the very will of God.

Marriage is uniquely crafted by our Creator to fulfill not only our need to procreate but to find complementary fellowship in our species as made in the image of God. Joyfully lived and lovingly expressed, marriage then becomes a virtual miracle to humanly display the glory of God on an otherwise selfish planet. For this reason, the Divine design is under dire attack, threatening

to sever the final threads and deface the tapestry woven over millennia into the Divine plan for human destiny, culminating in the promised wedding of a pure and holy bride to God's perfect Bridegroom, the Messiah.

PREVAILING WINDS

It is painfully clear that the prevailing winds of our time, globally, yet



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more pervasively in the so-called "Christian" western world, are not

favorable to sailing the good ship "Marriage."

A tsunami of relational brokenness swept across the North American continent, precipitated by an unprecedented moral and spiritual "truth" quake in the 1960's, decoupling marriage and family from their moral and spiritual foundations. The unremitting aftershocks for two generations have devastatingly fractured not only the family but supporting faith itself.

The persisting tidal waves of slavish service to SELF have deadened our SOULS, leaving a wake of indescribable destruction, not only for ourselves but also for our posterity. Even the rabbis of Israel

are warning of the accelerating scourge of marital demise sweeping the proverbial “Holy Land.” We are following, they say, the path America has paved.

It is fascinating, and should be frightening to anyone with a residue of faith and hope for the future, that such overwhelming assault on faith and family should have become the

“Happy marriages begin when we marry the ones we love - they blossom when we love the ones we marry.”

Tom Mullen

“prevailing wind” just as sincere, spiritually attuned and God-fearing people throughout the planet expectantly await the soon coming of the Messiah and King over His Creation.

The battle to preserve, protect and prosper the Miracle of Marriage as the Divine design is raging, ripping to shreds the relational and social fabric of entire nations, preparing the way for godless governments to progressively usurp the

role of father and family, surreptitiously promising to be the “mother” of us all.

In the midst of the fray, marriage remains a miracle of Divine design, worthy of our embrace as worshipers of the Creator. That is why we feel compelled to present *The Motto* to reinforce our marital foundations so that *Lasting Love* becomes a life message –

a living legacy.

MARRIAGE MATTERS

Marriage matters. It matters to God and it should matter to us. But how deeply does and should marriage matter to us in this broken and fallen world where SELF seems to increasingly reign supreme?

We find it important, in fact necessary, to be reminded of just how seriously God, the designer, considers the relationship of marriage He designed

from the beginning of human habitation on earth. Our viewpoint on these matters will determine and has been setting the course of destiny. In *Lasting Love* we refresh our memories concerning marriage and its profound significance from the Creator’s viewpoint.

“A GREAT MYSTERY”

God calls marriage a mystery. In fact, the Apostle Paul referred to marriage as a *great* mystery. And almost everyone loves a mystery. Mysteries are intended to be solved – to be discovered – to be revealed. And that is God’s heart and desire for each of us. He desires – and intended – that our marriages here on earth reflect and reveal His plan, His purposes – indeed His glory.

Your marriage and ours is intended to be – and is – the smallest unit of the Church. It is a holy unit, therefore marriage has been referred to as *holy matrimony*. Unfortunately, our progressively ungodly and rebellious culture has

“Keep the fire lit in your marriage and your life will be filled with warmth.”

Fawn Weaver

been striving for two generations to remove the holiness from matrimony, thus removing God from the marital equation, leaving marriage only about *ME*. And the severance package offered in divorcing God from our marriages has been neither pretty nor satisfying.

When we marry, God - by His Holy Spirit - unites us as ONE before Him. Yet, in reality, we are two-in-one. When we, Chuck and Kathie, become one in Christ by the Holy Spirit, a holy trinity is created on earth to display or reflect on earth an

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YOUR MARRIAGE MATTERS

LASTING LOVE can be a dream come true. Yet love requires more than a dream or those loving feelings we so much desire.

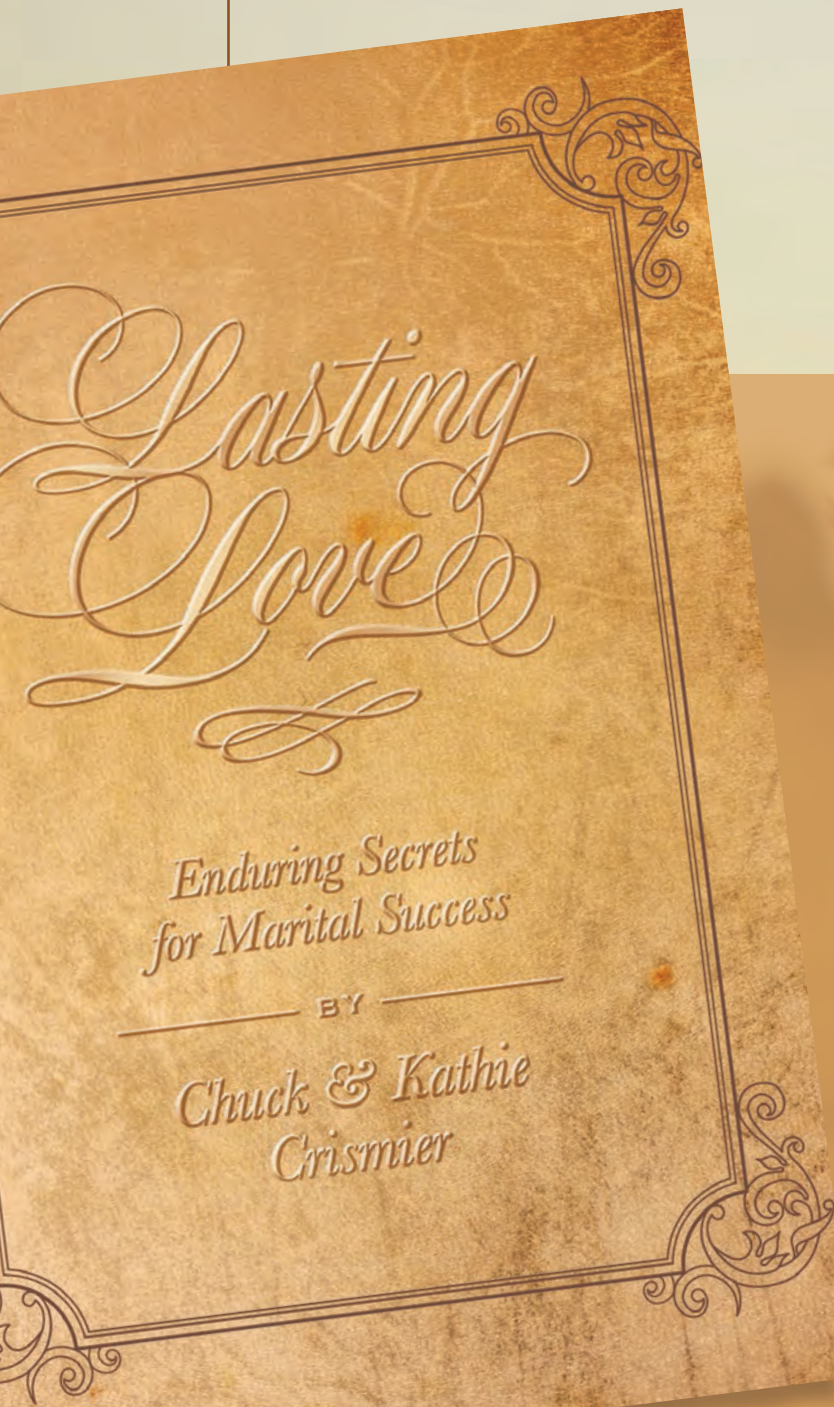
In Lasting Love, Chuck and Kathie Crismier, celebrating their Golden Anniversary, unveil seven enduring secrets that will inspire and strengthen your marriage as it has theirs.

"I highly recommend it!"

Gary Chapman, Ph.D.
Author - The Five Love Languages

"Very inspiring. A message of hope and healing for an intimate marriage on every page."

Jim Burns
Author - Creating an Intimate Marriage



ABOUT THE AUTHORS

From the womb of the South comes Lasting Love. Chuck and Kathie Crismier, together with their expanding family of three married children and ten grandchildren, reside in Richmond, Virginia.

Over the past fifty years, marriage and hospitality have been life messages for the Crismiers. Their writing and teaching on marriage and hospitality has revolutionized the lives and congregations of people from coast to coast.

Chuck, who has authored eight books, felt a profound call to leave his lucrative law practice in 1992, forming Save America Ministries to "Rebuild the Foundations of Faith and Freedom." Continuing in full-time ministry, for 21 years he has hosted a national daily radio broadcast, VIEWPOINT: "Confronting the deepest issues of America's

heart and home." Kathie, after two years as a teacher, has devoted her life to being a busy wife, mother and "nana," speaking on matters of the heart and home.

The Crismiers believe both marriage and hospitality are at the heart of the Gospel and must be at the heart of our homes. As you begin to live out the pages of this book, may the secrets of Lasting Love change your life as it has theirs.



Happily Ever After is the undying hope for most couples who proclaim their undying love by sacred vow. But is it a reasonable and attainable hope, or is it merely an illusion rooted in eros and emotion when we declare, “**I DO?**”

MIRACLE IN A MOTTO

The statistics of our time reveal a society tragically torn between the sacredness of a holy vow and the sorry state of betrothal and marital bliss. As once-holy matrimony fades in favor of a “hook-up” culture defined increasingly by “have it my way” cohabitation, the “hopes and dreams of all the years” are betrayed by brokenness.

It is painful to point out the obvious – that *happily ever after* is being lost – indeed sacrificed – on the now “sacred” altar of the “ME, Me, me” generation in pursuit of the eternal SELF. Lost to the marital imagination is the hope of *Happily Ever After*.

So...how might such a life-invigorating hope be restored? Is it possible that the simple secrets

contained in a marital motto might breathe back into our marriages the hope that once *sprang eternal* in the breast of the betrothed?

LASTING LOVE may just provide the needed spark. For, as we know, “it only takes a spark to get a fire going.” In this small book, husband and wife will find marriage-transforming nuggets of truth passionately presented by Chuck and Kathie Crismier, whose fifty years of marriage are transparently translated so as to touch the life of every married couple.

A simple motto has guided and protected their marriage over many years, and in *LASTING LOVE*, they offer its seven secrets to you. They call it **OUR MARRIAGE MOTTO**. Perhaps it will become yours.

“The happy State of Matrimony is undoubtedly, the surest and most lasting Foundation of Comfort and Love... the cause of all good Order in the World, and what alone preserves it from the utmost Confusion.”

- Benjamin Franklin



OUR MARITAL MOTTO

It is our sincere desire that Our Marital Motto becomes yours. Modify it as you may find meaningful, but you dare not delete from it, for each element is essential to fulfill both the meaning and mystery of the marital covenant entrusted by God to each of us. There is strength in its simplicity.

ROMANCE OF REMEMBERING

Remembering can be one of our most joyful and restorative experiences. Kathie and I love to recall and recite wonderful and even challenging memories of our many decades together. Their periodic remembrance profoundly binds our lives and hearts for the future. There is true romance in remembering as our hearts are strangely warmed together.

Unfortunately, not all memories are either joyful or desirable to dissect. They are like drawing up

pain from the well of the past that seems like poison to the soul. Yet in the godly recall of such memories lies hope for the future when viewed through the lens of humble repentance. Past pain can then serve as an agent of salvation in the present. That is precisely what we have experienced and, in truth, underlies the restorative power of *Our Marital Motto*.

The growing power of our covenantal commitment in the present is deeply rooted in our repentant response to pain in the past. In this way, pain actually produced gain. But it required choices for godly change, both in attitudes and actions. Amazingly, remembering is now a powerful life engine keeping romance alive.

REMEMBER AND RETURN

As we remember facts and circumstances strewn along our path over five decades, we are

continually faced with choices. We can either focus on past pain or on present practice. We can continually lament, or we can leap with hope into the future.

Kathie and I choose to remember how God drew us to one another and has preserved and prospered us. There are always challenges presented through present feelings, but we refuse to allow temporary feelings to lord it over our faith, either in God or in one another. *Our Marital Motto*, as presented in *Lasting Love*, persists in protecting us from the ravages of fickle feelings. When we remember, we are drawn to return to both our covenant with our Lord and with each other. In this pattern of remembrance and returning we experience continual revival in our covenant together.

Yours for *RECALL* and *REMEMBRANCE*,



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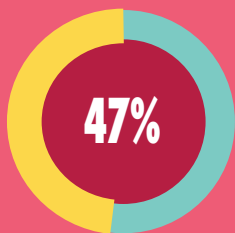
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FASCINATING *Marital* FACTS

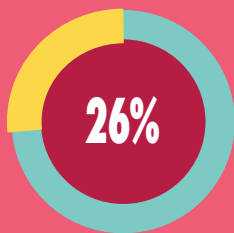
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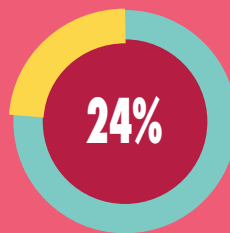
DIVORCE IN THE CHURCH



ACTIVE BLACK PROTESTANTS DIVORCE



ALL OTHER ACTIVE PROTESTANTS DIVORCE



ALL ACTIVE CATHOLICS DIVORCE

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DISSATISFACTION, DIVORCE & POVERTY

72%

PASTOR'S WIVES DISSATISFIED WITH THEIR MARRIAGE

MARRIAGE IS THE SINGLE GREATEST FACTOR IN A SECURE ECONOMY.

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CHILDREN WHO GROW UP IN FRAGMENTED HOMES ARE 7 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO LIVE IN POVERTY IN ADULTHOOD.

SINGLES HAVE REPLACED MARRIED COUPLES

- Until the late 1960's and early 1970's, remarriage was categorically deemed "adultery" unless your spouse was deceased or had committed adultery. Divorce was also virtually non-existent.
- Census Bureau reports that for the first time ever, singles have replaced married couples as the majority of the U.S. population.
- Married people are healthier than singles- according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC).

image, however diminished, of the glory of the triune God in heaven – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It is here that the great mystery should become increasingly apparent, both to us as a married couple and to those observing our life together.

A HOLY DECLARATION

We realize, then, that our marriage together has immeasurably greater import, from God's viewpoint, than just serving as the foundation for civilized society. Our marriage, while limited

to our time on earth, is to make a holy declaration for eternity. For we are married not only to each other but betrothed to the Master of all creation.

It is *The Motto* that

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enables us to live out that holy calling in practical ways that tangibly translate this profound truth. Join us in *Lasting Love* as we explore its seven enduring secrets for marital success.



Chuck Crismier's weekly video teachings are available on our website [saveus.org](http://www.saveus.org). These deal with the application of God's truth in our daily lives. Many worldwide are now connecting in to satisfy their hunger for the meat of the Word. You will find

encouragement, strength and direction for these difficult times. The most recent videos are listed on our Home Page. To watch these videos, just click the "VIEW WEEKLY TEACHINGS" button.

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BECAUSE...

IT WAS FIFTY YEARS AGO. After my bride made her processional, gowned and veiled, down the aisle to the moment of marital promise, I sang to her my rendition of this musical classic. The words remain precious, filtering through five decades of memories to this moment of joyful re-commitment.

*BECAUSE God made thee mine,
I'll cherish thee;
Throughout our lives and for all eternity:
A brighter world of peace and joy I see,
Because you come to me.*

MAY THE SPIRIT OF THESE LYRICS refresh and re-inspire your hopes and dreams for your life together.

LISTENERS SPEAK OUT

"I'm a Catholic, and it was listening to your broadcast that caused me to start reading my Bible. I've been listening ever since, and you're right on."

"I've been listening to your program in the afternoon almost every day now. I really am glad that there is someone out there who will stand up and speak the truth.... You don't hold back and its great!"

"I've been listening to your broadcast for over 4 years now. God is doing great things through your life and ministry."

"Love your program. Thank you so much for telling us the things we need to know."

"I want to commend you for your powerful broadcasts. We always need biblical perspective. Thank you for giving us that perspective each day."

"I listen on shortwave daily. I like this program better than any other. It is so refreshing and uplifting."

"Thank you for your words! Listening to you this early hour as I cannot sleep is refreshing to say the least."

"I enjoy your broadcasts because you are not afraid of the truth."

"Honestly, I have been forwarding your shows via email to friends and family over the past year."

"Greetings from the Middle East. I work for the U.S. Government overseas, and I've been a long-time listener. I enjoy all of your broadcasts because they always manage to convict my spirit. As a black

American, the broadcasts that focus on the abysmal state of the black family and geopolitics are the ones that touch me deeply."

"I want to thank you again for your righteous stands on so many issues, and for speaking boldly, without compromise... especially so strongly against the sin of adulterous re-marriages, that has damaged the testimony of the church, causing her to lose her 'saltiness'."

"What a light you are. So appreciate your wisdom and encouragement."

"In Canada, we rate you as one of the most capable analysts of the state of affairs of our times as seen through the lens of the Word of God."

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Resources for a Revived America



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KING of the Mountain

By Charles Crismier

Who will be KING of the Mountain? A child's game, writ large, reveals an amazing, prophetic journey from the Tower of Babel to the Temple Mount, from Creation to the Second

Coming of Christ. History and biblical prophecy now converge as the nations prepare their final strategies in the Epic, Eternal and End-Time battle "against the Lord and against His anointed."

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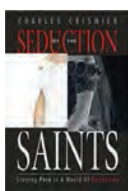
The SECRET of the LORD

By Charles Crismier

God has a secret. It is a life-changing secret. Yet it is a secret God desires to disclose to all who will seek it, unlocking all of the covenantal blessings and promises of God, both on

earth and for eternity. So important is God's secret, that it becomes our Creator's final gospel message to our planet before the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. There has never been a more urgent time to discover *The SECRET of the LORD*.

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SEDUCTION of the SAINTS

By Charles Crismier

BEWARE DECEPTION! "Take heed that no man deceive you," declared Jesus the day before his crucifixion. His words were chilling! They cast a frame around life and eternity. CAN

SAINTS BE SEDUCED? The Apostle Paul describes these last days as a time of desperate

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struggle to seduce the minds and hearts of the saints, and says "some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits." WILL YOU BE DECEIVED? Will you be among the deceived? Can you be seduced? Paul says there is coming "a great falling away" or apostasy. The purpose of this book is to strengthen your faith and to give you the tools to identify and avoid end-time deception and the Seduction of the Saints.



Breaking the Treasure Code

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Anger

By Gary Chapman

Life is full of frustrations—some big, some little. And while you might not be ready to blow a gasket, it's easy to get angry in the wake of rejection, hurt, or embarrassment—and anger can

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have a really tight grip. Anger is a reality of life, but it doesn't have to control our lives. Learn how to control anger and use it for good.

NEWS & NOTES

"ABSOLUTE END"

"Christian morality is being ushered out of American social structures—and the broader culture is attempting to fill the void," declared the Barna Research Group. Nature abhors a vacuum. While about 60% agree the Bible provides absolute moral truth for all people, the majority, including Christians, obey their feelings rather than their alleged faith. Feelings define America's new moral code. Its "The End of Absolutes."

TEMPLE MOUNT—"NEXT STEP"

Israel's Chief Rabbi spoke recently to Israel National News noting "the spiritual awakening of the Jewish nation in Israel." The "next step," he declared, is "control of the Temple Mount." Take note! The battle for *KING of the Mountain* will soon intensify as the nations rage, just as the Psalmist declared in Psalm 2.

TUNNEL "VISION"

It was blatant blasphemy! The opening of the EU's Gotthard Base Tunnel featured a bizarre ceremony—a goat-man who dies and is resurrected while women simulate lesbian sex to a rhythmic drum beat. The goat-man, as Baphomet, is worshipped and crowned as "the king of the world." This satanic display gives all new meaning to the term "tunnel vision" as the EU descends into diabolical debauchery, competing with the depravity of Obamanation in the U.S. Welcome to Sodom and Gomorrah.

U.S. IN FOOTSTEPS OF PHARAOH?

When "obey" has become a hated word in the church, Pharaoh's taunt... "Who is the LORD that I should obey His voice?" takes on new meaning. Apparently we're all "Pharaoh's" here.

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