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**MY STORY: LIVING THE STORY YOU WANT TO TELL
MARRIAGE DIFFICULTIES
Philippians 2:1-4**

Motives for spiritual unity in marriage. Phil. 2:1-2a

- We give to one another what we have **received** from Christ. Phil. 2:1; 1 Thess. 5:11-14; 2 Cor. 1:3-4; Luke 10:30-35; 1 John 4:8; 2 Cor. 1:3-4; Rom. 5:5; Eph. 5:18, 30; 1 Thess. 5:19; Acts 2:41-47; Gal. 5:16; John 14:6
- We give to one another **affection** and compassion. Phil. 2:2a; 1:8; 2 Cor. 7:13, 15; Matt. 9:35-37; Col. 3:12; Rom. 12:1; 2 Cor. 1:3

Marks for spiritual unity in marriage. Phil. 2:2b

- We are to think the **same** thing. Phil. 2:2b, 5; 1 Cor. 2:16; 3:12; 14, 15, 19, 4:8; Eph. 2:8-9; John 8:11; Luke 7:36-50; 1 Cor. 13:4-5; Rom. 8:4-5; 12:3
- We are to **love** one another equally. Phil. 2:2b; Rom. 12:10, 13; 2 Thess. 1:3; 1 Cor. 13:4-8; 1 John 3:16-18
- We are to live in selfless **harmony** with one another. Phil. 2:2b; 1 Cor. 13:4-8; Gen. 2:21-24; Matt. 19:5; Eph. 4:4; Col. 3:12-16

Means (how to get them) for spirituality in marriage. Phil. 2:3-4

- Don't be **selfish**—pure and simple. Phil. 2:3; Is. 14:12-17; Eph. 4:26-27, 29; 1 Thess. 5:11-15; 1 Cor. 1:10-11; Rom. 12:3; 10, 12
- Don't be **prideful** in our marriage. Phil. 2:3-4; Rom. 11:25; Gal. 6:3
- Be willing to surrender and **humble** yourself. Phil. 2:3-4; Prov. 11:2; 16:19; Matt 5:5; Rom. 12:16; 1 Pet. 5:5-6; 1 Cor. 15:9; Rom. 13:1; Eph. 3:8; 1 Tim. 1:15; Rom. 12:15, 15:1