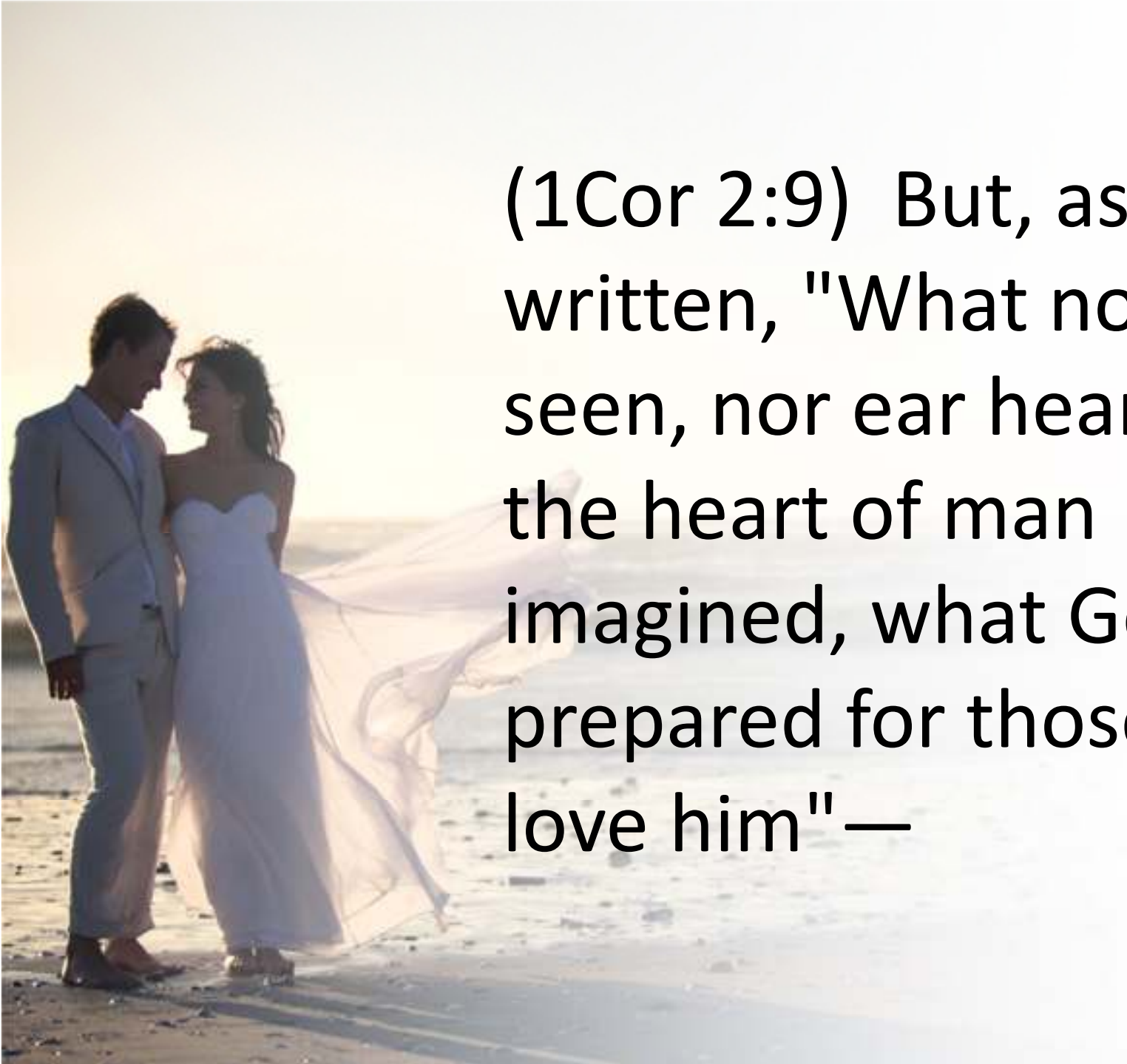


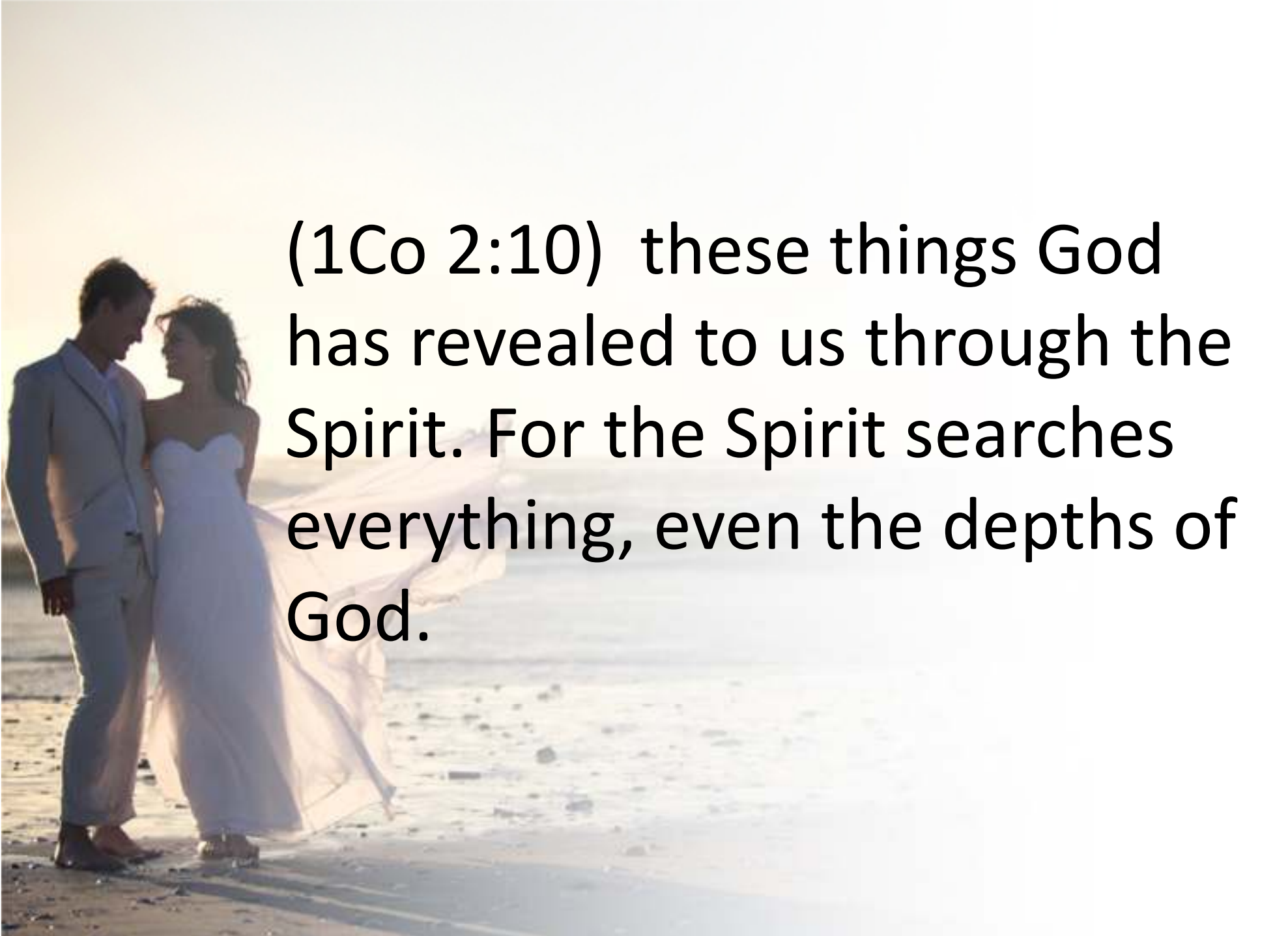
rock solid love

Establishing a God Romance



(1Cor 2:9) But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"—

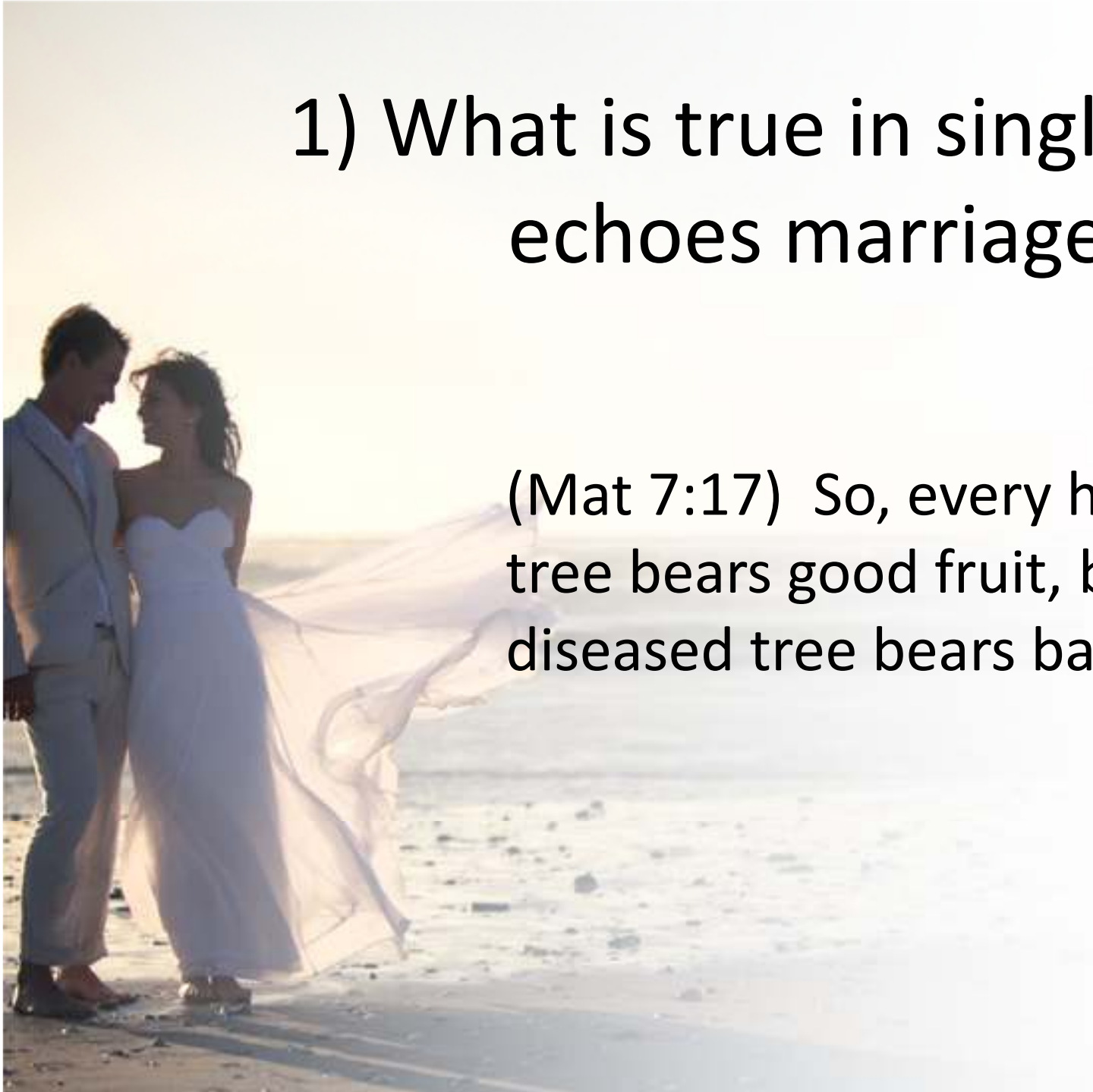


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(1Co 2:10) these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.

1) What is true in singleness, echoes marriage

(Mat 7:17) So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit.



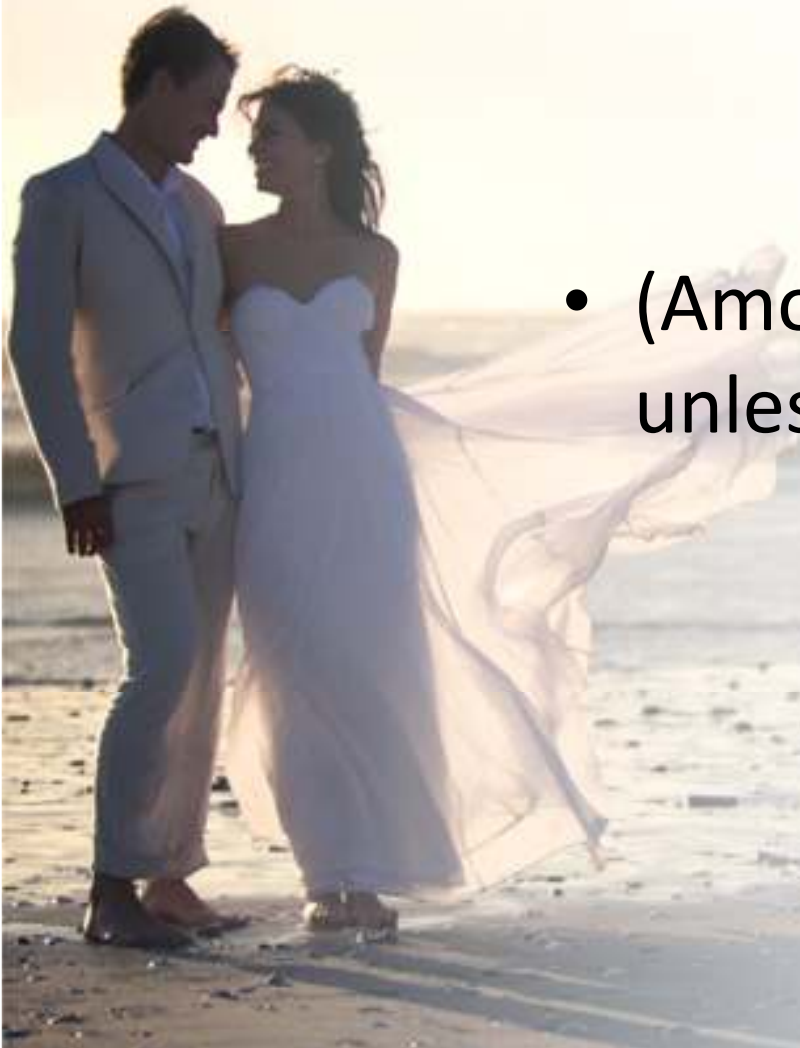
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- (2Co 6:14) Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness?



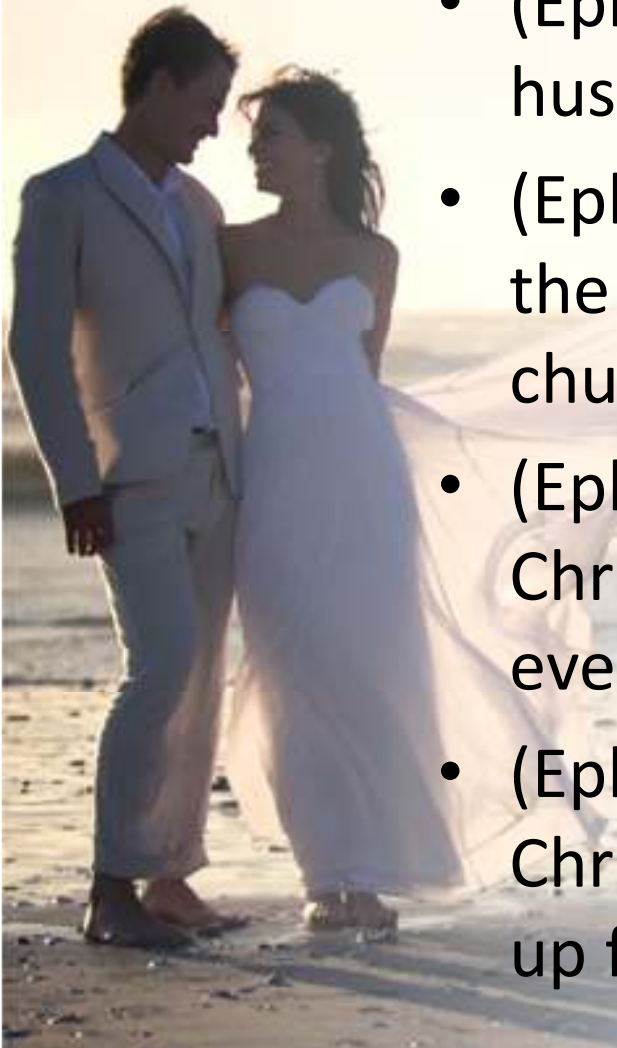
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- (Amo 3:3) "Do two walk together, unless they have agreed to meet?"



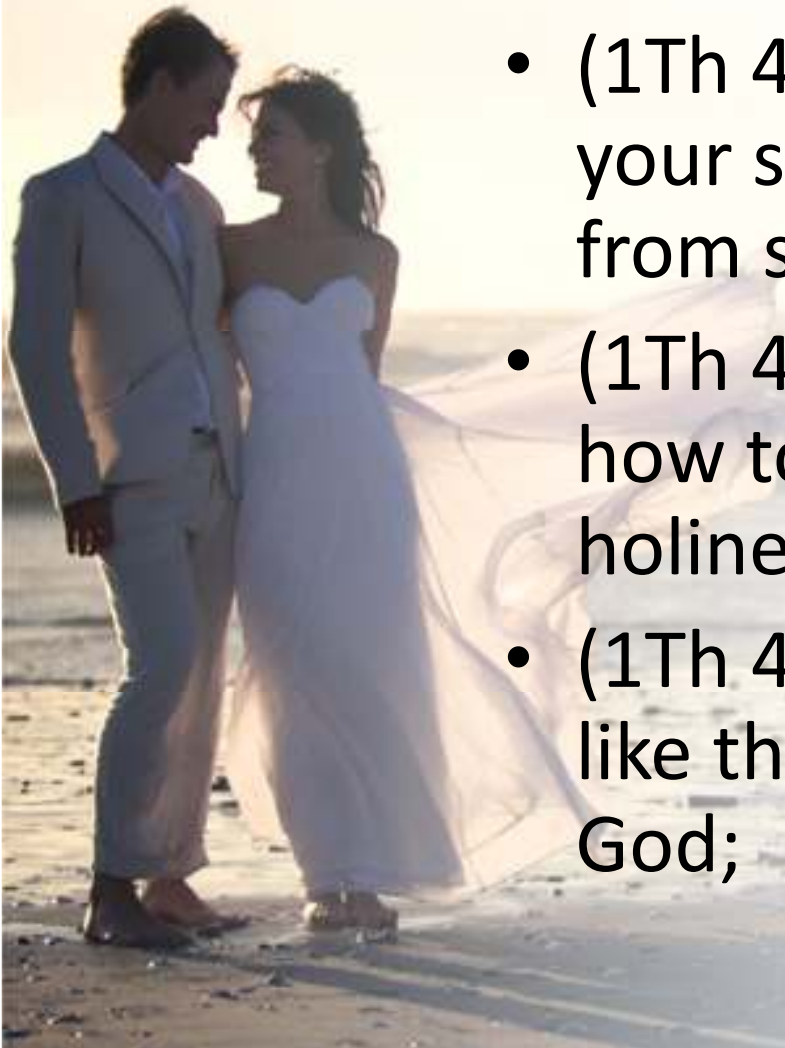
3) The HEART of submission

- (Eph 5:22) Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.
- (Eph 5:23) For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior.
- (Eph 5:24) Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.
- (Eph 5:25) Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her,



4) Rock-solid lovers exercise control

- (1Th 4:3) For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality;
- (1Th 4:4) that each one of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honour,
- (1Th 4:5) not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not know God;



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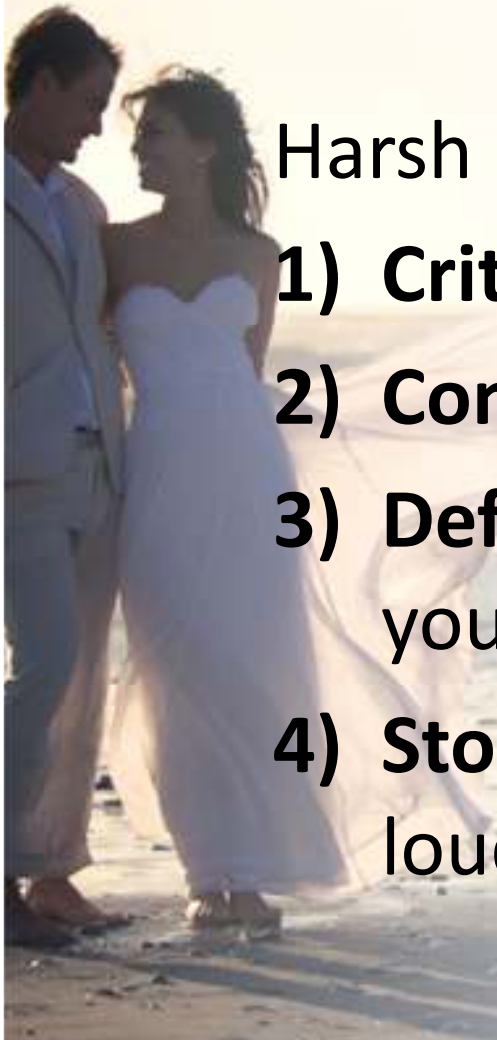
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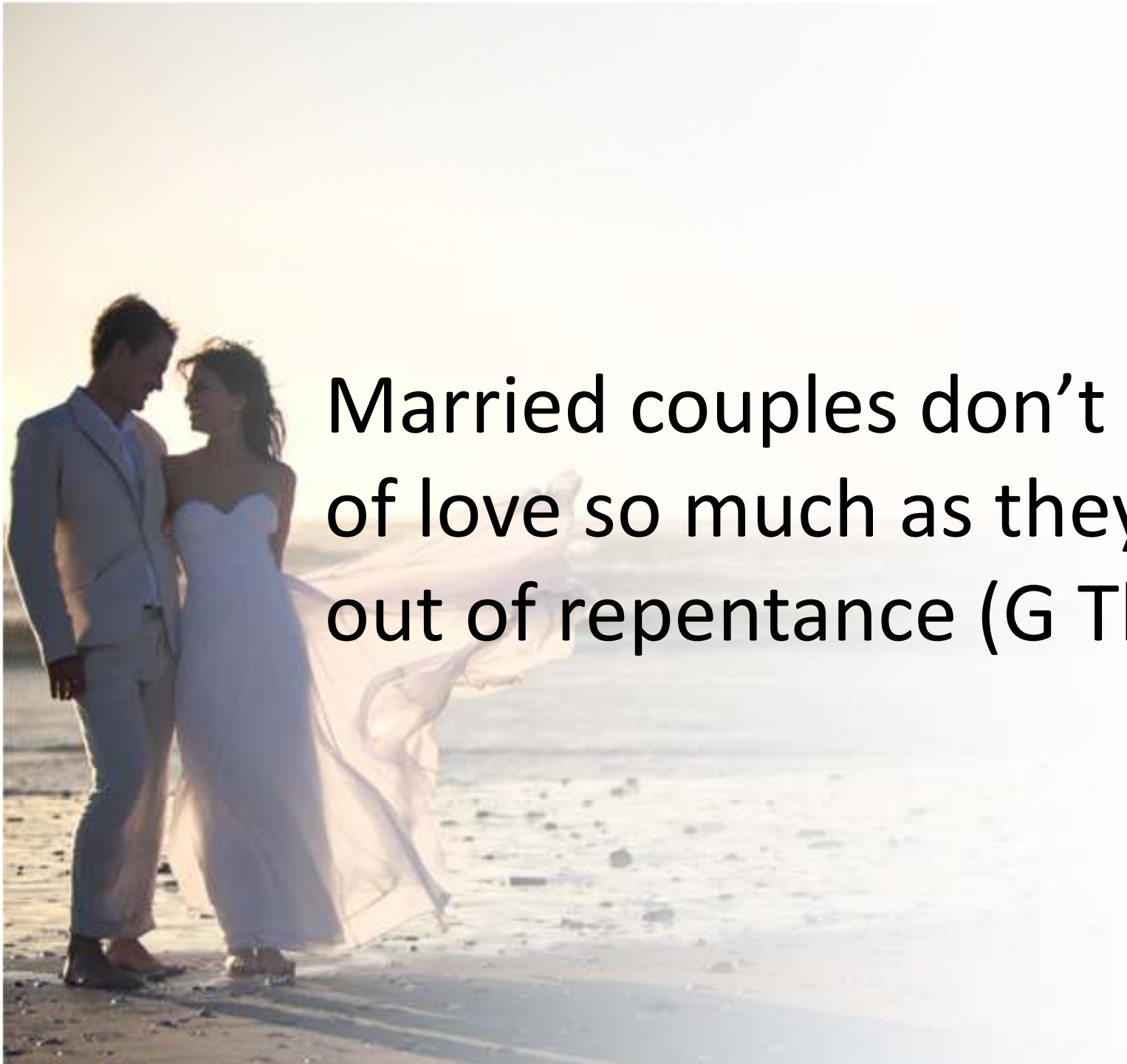
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- (Rom 3:23) for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
- (Rom 3:24) and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,



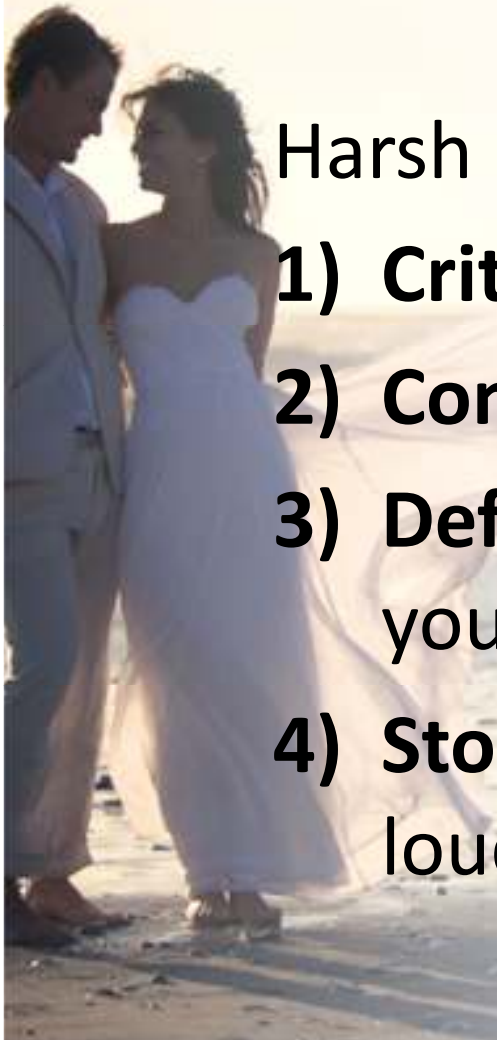



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Repentance + forgiveness

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love and trust

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