



Shipwrecked on the Sea of Love (Song of Songs 8:7)

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“Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it.” – Song of Songs 8:7a (ESV)

God created marriage to be a “Love Boat” cruise between one man and one woman. Sometimes infidelity and other serious issues cause shipwreck. A critical understanding of biblical boundaries can help safely navigate and restore troubled marriages back to shore.

1. The nature of marital love (Song of Songs 8:6-7)

- A. Love is as strong as death
- B. Love is passionate like a flaming fire
- C. Love is more permanent than water (Proverbs 5:15-18)

2. The power of sex in marriage

- A. It is beautiful – God created it (Genesis 2:18-25)
- B. It is powerful – Man procreates by it (Genesis 4:1)
- C. It is sacred – Inaugurates biblical marriage (Hebrews 13:4)
- D. It is like a fire (Proverbs 6:27-29)

3. The recovery of a shipwrecked marriage

- A. Follow directions and set boundaries
- B. Truth vs. repentance and forgiveness vs. trust (2 Corinthians 7:10-11)
- C. Every sexual sin is a fall from faith
- D. Make your spouse your very best friend
- E. Eat, pray and go to bed together
- F. Listen to your spouse
- G. Fight for your marriage: it is a spiritual battleground (Proverbs 24:16)

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Many waters cannot quench

LOVE

Rivers cannot sweep it away.

If one were to give all the wealth
of one's house for love, it would be
utterly scorned.

SONG OF SONGS 8:7

