Priority of Marriage THE I PROMISE SERIES

I Promise to make God number one in my life and my spouse number two.

- I. The Power of Partnership (Ecclesiastes 4:9)
 - a. Companionship
 - 1. Emotional support
 - b. Mutual encouragement
 - 1. Building/Motivating each other
 - c. Division of Labor
 - 1. Sharing responsibility and working as a team
- II. The Strength in Unity (Ecclesiastes 4:10)
 - a. Support during challenges
 - 1. Facing difficulties together Providing comfort and strength
 - b. Accountability
 - 1. Helping each other stay on track and challenging each other to grow
 - c. Synergy in decision-making
 - 1. Combining our wisdom to make better choices
 - III. The Blessings of a Lifelong Partnership (Ecclesiastes 4:11-12)
 - a. Protection and safety
 - 1. Looking out for one another, providing a sense of security.
 - b. Mutual support in times of need
 - 1. Financial/Physical care and assistance
 - c. Spiritual growth and accountability
 - 1. Encouraging praying and staying and seeking the Lord together.

If you're <u>lazy</u> you'll make <u>excuses</u>, if you <u>love</u> you will make <u>time</u>.