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I Did

I Did?

Well, I remember a pretty lady, a handsome guy, a preacher, some uncomfortable shoes, and mumbling something about "loving, honoring, and cherishing...in sickness and in health...for richer or poorer...and to death do us part." But after that, the memory is a little fuzzy. I mean, that the wedding was a long time ago and things have changed. What is a "vow" anyhow?

I Will...

A marriage vow is a covenant, a lifelong binding agreement between a husband and a wife and God the Father. If someone signed a contract to purchase a new car and then stopped making the monthly loan payments, legal action would be brought to bear and the buyer would still be responsible for paying the car loan balance. It was a legal contract.

The word "covenant" is much more serious than the word "contract." The marriage covenant joins two lives together in a Biblical sense. With all of life's challenges and demands, there is great importance to *Live the Marriage Vow* daily.

I Did !

Taking the marriage vow seriously on the wedding day and then each and every day thereafter is the goal. We need to rejoice in this marriage commitment and honor the vow. We can do this in many small ways and many big ways.

- Say It Often Tell our spouse that we love and care for them. Apologize.
- Show It Often Show our spouse we love and care for them in practical and special ways (serve do the dishes, walk the dog, help the children with homework, clean the house, cook dinner, give a card, buy a flower, etc.)

Lastly, one of the most important things to remember is that the marriage vow has a Great Resource in the heart of the covenant. God himself is there to help and assist. Look to Him. Introducing your Community Chaplain Eric Kieselbach (pronounced "key-sillbaa") Email: eric@shepherdcare.us

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"Marriage Vows need to be understood, lived, and celebrated!"

"What God has joined together, let no man put asunder." *Mark 10:9*

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