## In the Ring: Part 2 September 27, 2020

# Unity is oneness of purpose not the sameness of persons.

#### Genesis 2:15-17

"The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. <sup>16</sup> And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; <sup>17</sup> but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

#### Genesis 3:1-7

"Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

- <sup>2</sup> The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'"
- <sup>4</sup> "You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. <sup>5</sup> "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."
- <sup>6</sup> When the woman saw that the fruit of the

tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves."

## Unity in marriage begins with unity in God

### <u>DISUNITY with God creates</u> <u>disunity in marriage</u>

## What Keeps us at Disunity?

#1 Hiding #2 Blaming

#### **Critical Issues for Unity:**

- Finances
- Parenting
- Intimacy
- Spiritually

### Getting on the Same Page

- 1) Pray- get God's wisdom
- 2) Approach the tunnel
- 3) Get perspective and feelings from each
- 4) Are we closer than we were?
- 5) Celebrate breakthrough
- 6) Know when to get help

#### Genesis 3:21

"The Lord God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them."

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