

THEME 2: UNIQUE UNION OF A MAN AND A WOMAN

Relationship to Lived Experience

Reflection

She proudly thinks of herself as a multi-tasker, able to juggle many things at once. Her husband might counter that he likes to concentrate on one thing at a time, focusing his attention on the task at hand. She may need to share her worries; he may be surprised to find that she isn't expecting him to fix them. He discovers that she needs to talk and relax into feeling romantic; she wishes he figured that out sooner. The beauty of marriage is that spouses have a lifetime to understand and appreciate their differences. *Vive la difference!*

Discussion Questions

1. How have society's images of masculinity and femininity changed since your parents' day? How are they the same?
2. Name three ways in which your spouse's approach to problems differs from how you like to do things.
3. Men: What unique qualities do you bring to relationships, both at work and in your family? Women: What unique qualities do you bring to relationships, both at work and in your family?
4. What do you enjoy about being a woman or a man?

Journaling Questions

1. In his wisdom, God planned that man and woman would be made for each other. How would you say that your spouse has been made for you?
2. How does being a man or woman affect how you approach your relationship with God?
3. In our sexual relationship, one thing my spouse could do for me is _____ . Choose a quiet moment to share this with your spouse.