

8. How is it challenging to trust that God holds our future? How is it comforting? What can we do to put more of our faith and trust in God?

9. Who has God surrounded you with that can speak wisdom into your dating life? Do you listen to them? Why or why not?

10. How can healthy dating standards improve the atmosphere at THRIVE? What are some more action steps we can take to see this happen?

Energy, Excitement & Expectations

I. God had **you** in mind from the **beginning**.

(I Peter 2:21-25)

- **Holiness**.

(I Peter 1:15-16; Ephesians 4:17-24; 2 Corinthians 5:17)

- **Happiness**. (John 15:11)

II. God enjoys the **journey** as much as the **destination**.

(Philippians 2:12-13; Proverbs 13:4)

- **Growth**. (James 1:4)

- **Timing**. (Ecclesiastes 3:1-11)

III. God “**set** you **apart**” to make a difference!

(Psalm 119:32, 129)

- **Family/friends**. (Philippians 2:3-4)

- **Dating**. (Psalm 19:7-8)

IV. God has your **future**...keep focused!

(Psalm 37:4; Hebrews 12:14)

- **Marriage**. (Genesis 2:18-24)

- **Singleness**. (I Corinthians 7:1-2, 8-9)

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

For the week of February 28, 2010

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

1. What would be your dream date...spare no expense? What would make someone a bad date? Why is dating so important to us?

2. What do you think God expects us to get out of our dating lives?

3. What do you think about the idea that God has put "relationships & dating" in our lives to make us "holy" before "happy"? How do you think your family and friends have shaped you in life? How about your spiritual life? How will this help you in dating?

4. On Monday night at THRIVE we talked about "holiness" and being "set apart"...why is that so hard to do? Why is it so important to God? What benefits does it have for us?

5. In Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 it talks about timing...how does timing come into effect in dating? When is it healthy to be dating? When is it not healthy? What are some things that we can do spiritually to prepare for dating?

6. How can we be encouraging, challenging and bringing joy to a date?

7. In Psalm 19:7-8, the author gives us 3 reasons to love the laws of God...how can we use these in our dating lives?