

## A Marriage Minute

A simple help to make your marriage just a little better this week.



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Don't live your life by accident this year. Seek God for a vision for your marriage and your life. What does God desire in this new year? More quality time? Better control of your finances? More time with the children? More love making? Whatever it is. Seek a vision together. Write it down. Pray about it. Then be "doers" as God enables you. You may not see the entire vision fulfilled, but at least you'll be headed in the right direction. Otherwise, take my word for it, you will go in the wrong direction. Let's not live this new year by happenstance. Let's seek God's vision and be restrained by what that vision calls for, and the new year will be a year of greater glory –His glory!

**Question For The Both of Us:** What is our vision for the New Year? What does God desire for us personally, for our marriage and for our family? How can we put some safeguards in place to be sure we don't lose sight of the vision?

**Prayer for both of us:** Lord help us to see clearly what you desire for us in the New Year. Then give us the hearts to be restrained by the vision that we might see it come to pass.

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