

The background of the entire page is a warm, golden sunset. In the foreground, the silhouettes of a family are visible. On the left, a woman in a dress holds the hand of a small child in the center. On the right, a man's arm and hand are visible, holding the other hand of the child. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright, glowing light that fills the sky and casts long, soft shadows. The overall mood is peaceful and hopeful.

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Dedicated to the marriages of
my wife's and my parents

Alan and Jean Masters
1961-2016 – 55 years

Abel and Evelyn Ebens
1965-2023 – 58 years



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BEFORE WE BEGIN...

This book is an application of several principles developed over the last several years. If you are not familiar with the principles in these books:

Identity Wars

Life Matters

Divine Pattern of Life

Original Love

Comforter

Agape

Mirror Principle

Then I would encourage you to stop here and familiarise yourself with these principles first. Advanced light shined into the untrained eye can do great damage, and we would not wish any to be placed into a position of difficulty through lack of comprehension of vital principles. The above books are all available for download from maranathamedia.com or fatheroflove.info Please read these before engaging this book.

In faith, hope, and love

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Harden Not Your Hearts

Restoring the Institution of Marriage

Our loving Father bestowed two precious institutions upon us in Eden which have continued to this day. The first was marriage, and it was immediately followed by the Sabbath. Christ is the Lord of the Sabbath, and this rest in the Sabbath is His possession by His dwelling in the bosom of God the Father in perfect peace. Man and woman were made in the image of God and His Son. Therefore, Marriage is the source from which perfect rest came to Eve, through her resting in the bosom of her husband, who rested in the bosom of Christ.

The Spirit of Prophecy tells us that every divine institution will be restored before the Second Coming. This most certainly includes Sabbath and Marriage.

Within the Father of Love movement we have seen a wonderful shift in our understanding of the Sabbath and the Feasts as special gifts of the Spirit of God. It has transformed completely the Sabbath institution. Now we turn to marriage which has had no significant change in 500 years since the time of the Reformation. Rather we have seen the deterioration of marriage, especially over the last 50 years.

This book is a call to restore of the true purpose of marriage in the light of the Atonement, and the ever-present Cross. The content is potentially challenging as all reforms are, but the onward advance of truth ensures a rich reward for those who are determined to stand solely upon the Word of God.