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As a reminder, here are my working hypotheses for this series:

1. most single people are looking for a committed relationship
2. most committed relationships are moving toward marriage
3. most married people are looking for ways to grow deeper in love.

Over the course of this series, we're rolling out Ten Ground Rules for Real Romance. Here are the first four:

1. SINGLE \neq INCOMPLETE
2. CHARACTER > CHEMISTRY
3. FRIENDSHIP FUELS REAL ROMANCE
4. SOULMATES ARE MADE, NOT BORN

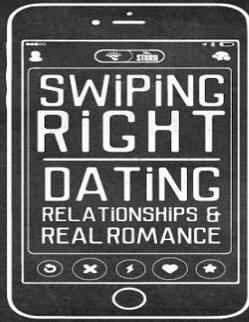
GROUND RULE #5: SEX IS OVERRATED...AND UNDERVALUED

What are some of the indicators that sex is overrated in our culture?

How is sex simultaneously overrated *and* undervalued?

What has been the Church's response to the rise of 'sexual liberation' in western culture? What do you think the Church has gotten wrong?

What does the Bible actually say about sex?



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1 Corinthians 4:16-18 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen but on what is unseen since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

GROUND RULE #6: PROFILES ARE PEOPLE, TOO

How do you think the internet and dating apps have changed the way we look at each other...especially on the dating scene?

Matthew 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

What is a pure heart? Have you ever prayed for *purity*? Why or why not?

Psalms 51 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

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