

Conduit

Conveying God's love to others



“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God.” (1John 4:12). Love comes from God and we are told, *no commanded*, to love one another (see John 13:34-35). We are to be *conduits* of God's love to others around us. The Biblical definition of love is giving of ourselves as Jesus gave of Himself for us - even going to the cross to die for us. A conduit is an object conveying something from one place to another - Biblically, we are to convey God's love to others - as we receive His love, we are to convey or pass it along to others.

I recently heard someone say that a conduit is like a capacitor. A capacitor receives and stores energy that it passes along when it is needed. Yes, a conduit could convey or pass along goods, information or ideas to others when they need them, but as Christians, we primarily should be passing along God's love to others. We receive His love, forgiveness, grace and mercy and as others around us need love, forgiveness, grace and mercy, we are to act as conduits to pass along what we have received from a gracious and loving God to them.

Where should we see this primarily happening? In the marriage relationship! Yet, too often we don't see husbands and wives being conduits of God's love, but as dispensers of negativity, hurt and pain. Brothers and sisters, this should not be so! God the Father loved us so much that He sent His only begotten Son to die for us and out of His great love, Jesus chose to come to earth as a man to take on our sins and die for us. How can we *not* be a conduit of that great love to our spouse, children and those we come in contact with? What can *you* do today to be a *conduit*, passing along this incredible love to *your* spouse and those around you?

Helpful Resources: *Fortified Marriages Resource page: www.fortifiedmarriages.com*

The *Fortified Marriages Manual and Workbook* is a great tool to help couples practice being that *conduit* of God's love.