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Intro:

Pastor & Tammy:

Talk about the CRUISE CONTROL in our lives.

-HOW THE CRUISE CONTROL CAN GET STUCK IN THE ON POSITION IN LIFE

-THEN WE DON'T PAY ATTENTION TO OUR GAUGES ON OUR DASHBOARD

LIFES DASHBOARD YOU HAVE 3 TYPES OF GAUGES

-INDIVIDUAL GAUGES

-MARRIAGE GAUGES

-FAMILY GAUGES

IF YOU DON'T PAY ATTENTION YOUR LIFE CAN BE IN TOTAL MESS

GOD TELLS US HOW IMPORTANT IT IS PAY ATTENTION TO THOSE GAUGES –

Deuteronomy 11:28 (MSG)

The Blessing: if you listen obediently to the commandments of God, your God, which I command you today. The Curse: if you don't pay attention to the commandments of God

A. There's two different things that will happen

BLESSING – If you're paying attention to the gauges

CURSE - If you're not paying attention to the gauges in your life

B. Moses was telling the children of Israel that you're at a crossroad in your life.

1. And whatever direction you take would determine if you were going to be blessed or cursed.
2. Moses challenged them: know the consequences of your choices. From this point on you will be blessed or cursed.

Hebrews 2:1 (NIV)

We must pay more careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away.

3. The words "careful attention" means to heed the truth, to listen very carefully.
4. To pay attention to what the Bible has taught us and is teaching us how to live.
5. To Pay attention to that personal gauge, Marriage gauge, family gauges in our lives.

FAMILY GAUGES

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Ephesians 6:4 (NIV)

Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

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SCRIPTURE IS SAYING – DO NOT PROVOKE THEIR CHILDREN TO WRATH

THERE'S DIFFERENT WAYS THAT A CHILD CAN BE PROVOKED TO ANGER

1. Failing to accept the fact that things do change.
2. Over controlling a child will also provoke a child to wrath.
3. Under controlling a child can provoke a child.
4. Living an inconsistent life before a child can provoke a child.

THINGS THAT PARENTS SHOULD WATCH FOR

rebellion, immorality, and injustice.

MARRIAGE GAUGES

[Video – Hubby listen](#)

WHAT IS A WIFE SAYING WHEN THIS GAUGE GOES OFF

Tammy –

A. This gauge is very important for husbands to pay attention to.

1. A lot of men would say, “She’s always wanting me to listening to her” “she just needs to do what I tell her to do and everything will be ok.”
2. Some men can get very bitter towards their wife and they feel like their always complaining
3. Husbands do you want **BLESSINGS OR CURSES** upon your life and marriage.
4. **THEN LISTEN – HONOR YOUR WIFE AND TAKE THE TIME**

1 Peter 3:7 (MSG)

The same goes for you husbands: Be good husbands to your wives. Honor them, delight in them. As women they lack some of your advantages. But in the new life of God's grace, you're equals. Treat your wives, then, as equals so your prayers don't run aground.

5. When you don't honor your wife God cannot answer your prayers.
6. God will not answer the prayers of any husband who dishonors his wife, no matter who he is or how much he professes Christ.
7. What God hears is the sigh of the wife, not the prayers of a mean and domineering husband.
8. God is going to hear the broken and contrite heart, not the prayers of a dominating spirit.

WHAT IS A HUSBAND SAYING WHEN THIS GAUGE GOES OFF

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A. It can mean a lot of different things, but probably the most common is.

1. Wife please listen to my sexual needs as a man.
2. Men didn't make themselves this way – GOD DID.
3. He is a very sexually person and if the wife doesn't listen another women will.

1 Peter 3:1 (NIV)

Wives, in the same way be submissive to your husbands so that, if any of them do not believe the word, they may be won over without words by the behavior of their wives,

1 Peter 3:1-2 (MSG)

The same goes for you wives: Be good wives to your husbands, responsive to their needs. There are husbands who, indifferent as they are to any words about God, will be captivated by your life of holy beauty.

B. I like what the Message Bible is saying, "Be responsive to his needs"

1. The word is indicating no matter if your husband's a Christ follower or no
2. The wife should be responsive to her husband's sexual needs.
3. It's something that should be talked about and not put under the rug.
4. And men need to take responsibility to keep themselves for their wives only.

C. JOB HAD A MEAN WIFE THAT DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO KEEP HER MOUTH SHUT.

1. AND WHEN JOB WAS GOING THROUGH ALL THAT PAIN IN HIS LIFE.
2. HE HAD EVERY EXCUTE TO SIN AGAINST HIS WIFE AND GOD
3. BUT JOB SAID -

Job 31:1 (NIV)

"I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE WIFES BLINKER WANTS TO GO THIS WAY

Video – Blinker 1

AND THE HUSBANDS BLINKER WANTS TO GO THAT WAY

Video – Blinker 2

A. We know what happened to Adam and Eve when her blinker went off.

1. She lead them both into a trouble sin of rebellion.

B. We know what happened when Ananias lead Sapphira down the wrong path.

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Acts 5:1-2 (NIV)

Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property. With his wife's full knowledge he kept back part of the money for himself, but brought the rest and put it at the apostles' feet.

ILL: (EXPLAIN STORY)

1. FIRST THE LORD TELLS US TO BE REVERENT TO EACH OTHER.

Ephesians 5:21 (MSG)

Out of respect for Christ, be courteously reverent to one another.

2. I COULD GIVE YOU ALL THE SCRIPTURE ON WIFE SUBMIT YOURSELVE TO YOUR HUSBAND.

3. HUSBAND, TREAT AND LOVE YOU WIFE AS CHRIST LOVES THE CHURCH.

4. BUT IT'S THIS FIRST VERSE THAT PEOPLE REALLY CAN'T GET PAST.

5. IF MARRIAGE WOULD JUST BE KIND, COURTEOUS, FORGIVEN TO ONE ANOTHER.

6. THEN YOUR WAY OR MY WAY WOULDN'T BE AN ISSUE.

CONCLUSION:

BLESSINGS OR CURSES