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## LIFEgroup Homework

For the week of: Aug 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Speaker: Linn Winters, "The 'Yoking' Principle"

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### MY STORY

1. What one family relationship would you consider very unique and rewarding?
2. When you were growing up were there any movies, cartoons or music that influenced what you might want in a future spouse? Explain.
3. What has been the "secret sauce" in your current or past relationships?

### QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

### DIGGING DEEPER

1. What are the deal breakers for you in your dating or marital relationship?
2. What are the commonalities you look for in a partner for a healthy relationship and how important are they to you?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 6:14-17. What is the "Yoking Principle"?
4. In these verses Paul uses strong language to discourage Christians from "Yoking" themselves to unbelievers. What examples does Paul give and why is it wrong and even dangerous for Christians to be bound together with unbelievers?

5. Read Deuteronomy 7: 1-4. What does God say here regarding being yoked with non-believers? Is what God says in the Old Testament different than what He says in the New Testament?
6. Why is it important for Christians to be separate from non-Christian influences? Does this include all areas of life? Are there exceptions?
7. If a Christian is currently unequally yoked in a dating relationship, how should they respond? Read 1 Peter 3:1 (applies to husbands and wives). Should that response be different if married?
8. Has the Dating series changed the way you look at or approach dating whether single or married? Explain what changes you might possibly make.
9. On the "Top 5 Non-Negotiables" card Linn stated that we should 1) Only date Christians, 2) Only date those of equal Christian Maturity. If unmarried/dating - what is your 3, 4, and 5? If married – what would you recommend? Explain.

### TAKING IT HOME

1. What top 3 decisions must I make in order to give the Lord my best in my relationships?
2. How can I honor and respect the relationships I currently have with non-believers?

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