

## **Addressing Problems in Marriage (continued)**

### III. *Problem #2: Interference from Job Influences*

- A. Pressures from excessive commitments
- B. Pressures from social expectations
- C. Pressures from relations with colleagues

### IV. *Problem #3: Materialism*

- A. Focusing on things rather than relationships
- B. Keeping up with the Jones's
- C. Lavishing children with excessive gifts

### V. *Problem #4: Additional Societal Influences*

- A. Rootlessness
- B. Mobility
- C. Worldliness
- D. The media

### VI. *Problem #5: Expressions of Anger*

- A. In the mind
- B. In words
  - 1. Mental abuse
  - 2. Promoting unnecessary guilt
  - 3. Shifting blame
- C. In actions

1. Material abuse

2. Physical abuse

VII. *Problem #6: The Push-Pull Marriage*

A. The “pushers”

B. The “pullers”

C. The “give-and-takers”

VIII. *Problem #7: Challenging Adjustments in Life Stages*

A. Adjusting to each other

B. Adjusting to children

C. Adjusting to teenagers

D. Adjusting to biological changes and mid-life challenges

E. Adjusting to senior years

F. Adjusting to health problems

G. Adjusting to difficult trials

IX. *Conclusion: Developing a Peacemaking Marriage*

A. Christo-centrism

B. Confession

C. Confrontation

D. Forgiveness

E. Negotiation

F. *Soli Deo Gloria*