33 VOLUME 5: A MAN AND HIS MARRIAGE

HOSTING SUGGESTIONS FOR PRESENTING TO A LARGE GROUP

Before you present this volume to your group, view all six sessions in advance, taking notes in the 33 Training Guide. Write down your own Strategic Moves at the conclusion of each session and start building your Action Plan. Read through the stories and articles in the 33 Training Guide that support each session. These features will greatly enhance the 33 experience for your group. As you preview each session, make notes with specific things in Volume 5 that speak to you personally. Then be prepared to speak openly and honestly with your group. If you want the men you are leading to speak openly in the discussion groups, then it is important to be open and vulnerable and lead by example.

SESSION 1| FOUNDATION

• Welcome your group to 33 Volume 5: A Man And His Marriage. Make sure that every man in your group has his own copy of the 33 Training Guide and a pen. Encourage them to take notes and inform them that if they miss a point during the teaching, an answer key is on pages 112-113.

• Explain the importance of processing what they learn with another man or group of men. Challenge each man to participate in the small group discussion after each session. Call attention to the article on page 5 of the 33 Training Guide, “How to Make the Most of Your 33 Experience”.

• Invite the group to turn to page 14 of the 33 Training Guide and prepare to take notes as the video begins.

• Following the video, share something that resonated with you from this session. You may want to share something you wrote down as Your Strategic Move. Call attention to the space provided on page 18 for them to actually write down a Strategic Move they could make in response to what they have learned.

• Challenge the men to invite a friend to join them for the next session of 33. Explain to them that anyone who wishes to view the session again or share it with a friend can purchase a download of the session for a few dollars at www.authenticmanhood.com.
• Strongly encourage the men to check out the features in the 33 Training Guide between each session. Call special attention to the article by Paul Tripp on page 10-13 titled “Not a Hopeless Marriage.”
• Dismiss them to their small group time using the discussion questions provided on page 17. The ideal group size should be between 4-6 men. You may need to assist the men in forming groups. Encourage anyone who may be new to see you if they need assistance in finding a group.

SESSION 2| DIE TO LIVE

• Welcome the men back to 33 Volume 5: A Man And His Marriage. Reflect on something you gained from last week’s session, or arrange for a man in the group to briefly share something he gained.
• Welcome those who may be attending for the first time and let them know that a download of the previous session (or any session for that matter) can be purchased for just a few dollars at www.authenticmanhood.com.
• As you prepare to show the video, ensure each man has his own copy of the 33 Training Guide and is prepared to take notes using the outline for this session.
• After viewing the session encourage each man to write down a Strategic Move based on something he heard in the session today. Explain how at the conclusion of the last session they will be able to synthesize all of their strategic moves into a personal Action Plan.
• As you transition into the small group time, offer to help any new participants find a group. Also encourage the men to check out the articles and features in the 33 Training Guide between each session. Call attention to the Red Zone on pages 40-41. Point out that this visual provides us with a summary of the things we have learned so far in the volume.

SESSION 3| FRIENDSHIP

• Welcome your men back to 33. Having already viewed the session, you may want to share with the men how excited you are about some of the things they will learn today.
• Remind them that they can purchase a download at www.authenticmanhood.com of any session they miss or wish to view again.
• As you begin the video encourage the men to take notes using the outline provided in the 33 Training Guide.
• After viewing the session, you may want to share or arrange for someone to briefly share how this series is affecting him and his perspective on friendship.
• Remind the men to be open and honest as they process this information using the small group discussion questions provided in the 33 Training Guide.
• As you end, ask the men to write you a short note or email regarding what God is teaching them through this series about their marriage. Tell them you may share their comments with the group, but names will not be revealed.
• Encourage the men to read the article “My Beloved And My Friend” on pages 50-53 written by Tierce Green.

SESSION 4 | INTIMACY

• As you welcome the men back to 33, share some comments that you have heard regarding the men’s friendships with their wives.
• Share with the group how excited you are about today’s session, and how the things they learn today could help them better understand God’s gift of sexual intimacy.
• After viewing the session, ask the men to talk openly in their group and to be honest with each other as they process these essentials in their life.
• Challenge the men to read the two articles in the 33 Training Guide written by Shelia Wray Gregoire found on pages 66-69 and pages 70-73.

SESSION 5 | THREATS

• Welcome the men back for Session 5. By now you should be able to take a minute and have some of the men stand and share a brief word about something they are learning from this series. You may want to recruit two or three men in advance to be prepared to share a brief word.
• Challenge the men to pay careful attention to the session today. It contains a look at six threats that can have severe effect on each man’s marriage.
• After viewing Session 5 encourage the men to write down a Strategic Move on page 83 from what they have learned today. Remind them that next week they will compile all of their Strategic Moves into an Action Plan.

SESSION 6| GAME-CHANGERS

• Welcome your group back for the final session of A Man And His Marriage. Begin this session by calling their attention to the Action Plan on page 111. After this final session they can compile all six of their Strategic Moves into a concise and achievable Action Plan.
• As you dismiss the men to their small group time, congratulate them on completing this volume of 33. Also, remind them that the goal of this series is not to just fill in the blanks of the 33 Training Guide and put it on the shelf. Challenge them to review this material, discuss it with others who have experienced it, and to even share with those who have not been through the study.
• Encourage your men to prayerfully consider Tierce’s challenge to purchase the video download bundle of all six sessions from this volume and watch them with their wives.