

DRAW CLOSE TODAY, PREVENT CRISIS TOMORROW

According to Barna Research, 25% of Americans ages 18 or older have been through a divorce. Further, 2007 Census data reveals fewer couples than ever before will reach their 25th wedding anniversary.

Midlife crises, financial difficulties, “irreconcilable differences,”—there is so much in this world to pull marriages apart. But, couples can also actively choose to grow closer together, as Hugh and Cindi McMenamin reveal in their new book, *When Couples Walk Together*.

Hugh and Cindi draw on more than 20 years of marriage and ministry experience, as well as advice from 20 other couples, to share counsel and Scriptural insight to help married couples create lasting bonds that will produce a lifelong, loving marriage.

They share...

- *How to turn moments of tension into moments of tenderness*
- *Simple ways to splurge on your spouse without spending much money*
- *How to extend grace toward one another in selfless love*
- *The importance of encouraging words*
- *How to start flirting again, and more!*

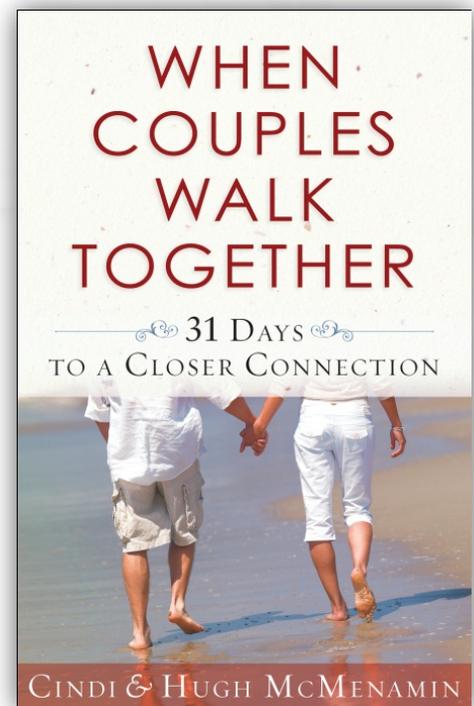
Hugh’s perspective will resonate with men who feel marginalized or misunderstood because of irreverent male stereotypes in our culture. He also shares from his pastoral ministry to encourage couples to work on their marriages *before* a crisis point. After hearing from Cindi and Hugh, husbands and wives will be able to find something—*today*—that they can start enjoying *together*.



Hugh and Cindi McMenamin have served actively in ministry together for more than 20 years. Hugh is the senior pastor at Valley Bible Church in San Marcos, California. He earned his bachelor’s degree in biblical studies from Biola University and his master’s degree in pastoral ministry from Moody Graduate School. Cindi is a national speaker and the author of several books, including *When Women Walk Alone*, *Women on the Edge*, and *Letting God Meet Your Emotional Needs*. For more on the McMenamins’ ministry and for free marriage resources, visit www.StrengthForTheSoul.com.



INTERVIEW QUESTIONS



- Did the idea for *When Couples Walk Together* come from personal experience, or was there another reason you wrote it?
- What are some of the primary stressors in marriages today?
- Why do you think *men* will want to read this book as well as women?
- Your subtitle is “31 Days to a Closer Connection.” How can a couple really draw closer together in just 31 days?
- What are some simple ways couples can reconnect with each other?
- You say that couples can “turn tense moments into tenderness.” Please explain that.
- Tell us about “the power of a note.”
- You also believe spouses should “splurge” on each other. But money is tight right now for a lot of people. So how can they really do that?
- You talk about extending grace toward one another. What is a practical way to extend grace to your spouse?
- What would you tell a couple who believes it’s not possible for them to stick it out together?

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