

Presentation Topics – Robyn Huck

1) Topics which have been presented:

Biblical Themes: How God Tells Us About Himself

The Bible holds together as one story of God’s love and faithfulness to his people. There are numerous themes that tell the story which are introduced in the Old Testament and are fulfilled in the New Testament. Getting a handle on identifying the themes and watching them mature is one of the best ways to better understand the Bible and benefit from reading it. Join us in discovering another depth to the Bible and another reason to love it. (This has been presented at women’s retreats in three or four 75-minute sessions.)

Addressing the Problems of Life Equipped with the Word of God

God has promised that He has provided all we need for life and godliness... so, why don't we always feel equipped? Learn what being “equipped” really means and where our expectations go wrong. You and I may at times feel incompetent, unprepared, and ill equipped. But God says otherwise. Let’s study this together and encourage each other in the challenges we face every day. (This was originally a 6-hour retreat presentation, but it can reformatted for a seminar or conference.)

Submission: The Dreaded ‘S’ Word

Now don't go thinking this is a seminar just for married women, and don't think that “just obey” is the final word. Submission is an integral part of Christian doctrine that has been terribly misunderstood and misused. It’s time we women—single and married— take hold of what submission really is and understand the blessing that God intended. This seminar teaches that submission is not a women’s issue but a human issue. (This has been presented both as an evening seminar in three parts, and a women’s retreat in four sessions.)

The Mystery of Proverbs

Proverbs is a highly misunderstood book. Isn’t God’s word supposed to be true? Then why doesn’t a gentle word always turn away wrath? Learn about the history of Proverbs and the way it fits together with the other Wisdom books. Learn to read them and use them well. (This was a Bible study presentation that covered about 3 hours of speaking.)

The Comfort Zone

Mmmm—sipping hot chocolate by the fireplace, wearing flannel PJs and cozy slippers. We all love to be comfortable. Is that wrong? We have a nagging feeling that being uncomfortable is the signal that we’re loving sacrificially, and being comfortable means we’re being selfish. Is that right? In this seminar we’ll identify our own definitions of comfort, and study what God says about comfort. We’ll also look at how our desire for comfort often affects our decisions. This has been a helpful seminar for many women who wanted to improve their decision-making and become more aware of the dynamics of everyday decisions. (This has been presented at women’s retreats in three or four 75-minute sessions.)



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The Life-long Study of Love

Thank the Lord that we are always learning and growing. He calls us to move forward and toward Him. We do that by understanding more and more the depth of His love. And we glorify Him as we shine that love on those around us, more and more. Let's take time to study God's love together, and discover how His love defines us. (This has been presented as a women's retreat in three 90-minute sessions.)

The Experience and the Purpose of Grief

If there is a universal experience in life, it is the experience of loss. We lose jobs, relationships, and dreams. And, of course, every one of us experiences the death of people very close to us. The emotional response to loss is called grief. But even this most universal of experiences cannot be lumped into a "one size fits all" category. Grief is very individual. Let's explore why each person's grief is unique, what God's word says about grief, and what purposes God has for it. Our conclusions may surprise you. (Originally presented as a one hour conference breakout session, but can easily become a weekend retreat.)

Sacred Connections: The building of fellowship

Christian Fellowship is easy and trouble-free.

God ordains it, so nothing ever goes wrong.

What? that hasn't been your experience? Really????

Of course it hasn't been. "Easy and trouble-free" is not what God promises. But God does ordain it, and even commands it.

What exactly is he asking us to do?

What should it look like in the 21st century?

We're awfully busy. How on earth are we expected to do this?

Will it be worth the hassle?

Please join us for a discovery process. We'll find out what scripture says about fellowship, consider how we've done it well (and not so well), and take a few steps in the right direction. It's going to be a safe adventure, and lots of fun. (Presented as a three session retreat.)

The Soil That Nurtures Growth: Leadership in Women's Ministry

How can we be Titus 2 women given the demands and difficulties we face today?

Let's talk about what type of leadership women need in this decade. (Presented as an evening workshop.)



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Forgiveness

Here it is — where the rubber meets the road. The Bible says if we do not forgive we will not be forgiven. And so we tend to try to forgive quickly and without too much thought, otherwise... otherwise we question our own salvation as we grapple with how difficult this actually is. Please join me in a willingness to admit to how hard forgiveness really is. We'll study what forgiveness is, what it is for, and why it's so unbelievably hard. We'll also discover why it is at the very core of our relationship with God, and why it should be at the core of all our relationships. (This was originally presented in 6 sessions of a weekly Bible study, but can be adapted to a retreat or seminar format.)

Seeing Red: Learning from the experience of anger

Human beings, made in the image of God, are capable of anger just as God is. God's anger says much about him and our anger says much about us. In this session we will use several passages of Scripture to illuminate what our anger teaches us about ourselves. You will be equipped with tools for counseling someone who struggles with anger. You will also be asked to consider the anger you have as a counselor in the context of the counseling relationship. And we will think about whether it is appropriate for a counselor to express anger within a counseling session. Come walk with us through some uncomfortable but common situations. (Originally presented as a one hour conference breakout session, but can easily become a weekend retreat.)

Down and Out: Feeling Depleted and Discouraged

It's 6:15 AM. The alarm goes off, and your first thought is: "I can't do this day." Life is burdensome and you are emotionally and physically exhausted. In this breakout session we'll search Scripture for insight into this phenomenon of depression, and find ways to help ourselves and others live through it with integrity and purpose. (Originally presented as a one hour conference breakout session, but can easily become a weekend retreat.)

2) Topics I'm hoping to develop but haven't yet:

(would love a reason to put time into it, so, feel free to ask!)

Developing Character

Godly character comes from a combination of God's work and ours. What does He do and what should I do? And why bother? Can't I just live my life?

A Faithful Life

Using the book of Ruth and other scriptures as our guide, we will examine the complexities and challenges of living a faithful life. Even though we will each be confronted with our tendencies to be faithless, we will be drawn in and comforted by our God who is truly and perfectly faithful.



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Okay, I'm a mom. Does that mean I'm grown up now?

This seminar for mothers of all ages will help us understand the responsibility and purposes of motherhood. We will be encouraged to know that the perfect mother is not perfect! This seminar will encourage mothers, grandmothers, future mothers, and those who love them. It is not a seminar that teaches how to parent, but a study on what it is to *be* a parent.