

The image features a stylized graphic with a red central field and teal borders. In the center, the silhouettes of a family of four are shown: a man and a woman standing close together, and two children in front of them, one with arms outstretched. Overlaid on this is the text 'FAMILY MATTERS' in large, bold, serif letters. 'FAMILY' is yellow with a black outline, and 'MATTERS' is white with a black outline.

# FAMILY MATTERS

**How To Build A Lasting Marriage**

# 1) THE PURPOSE OF MARRIAGE

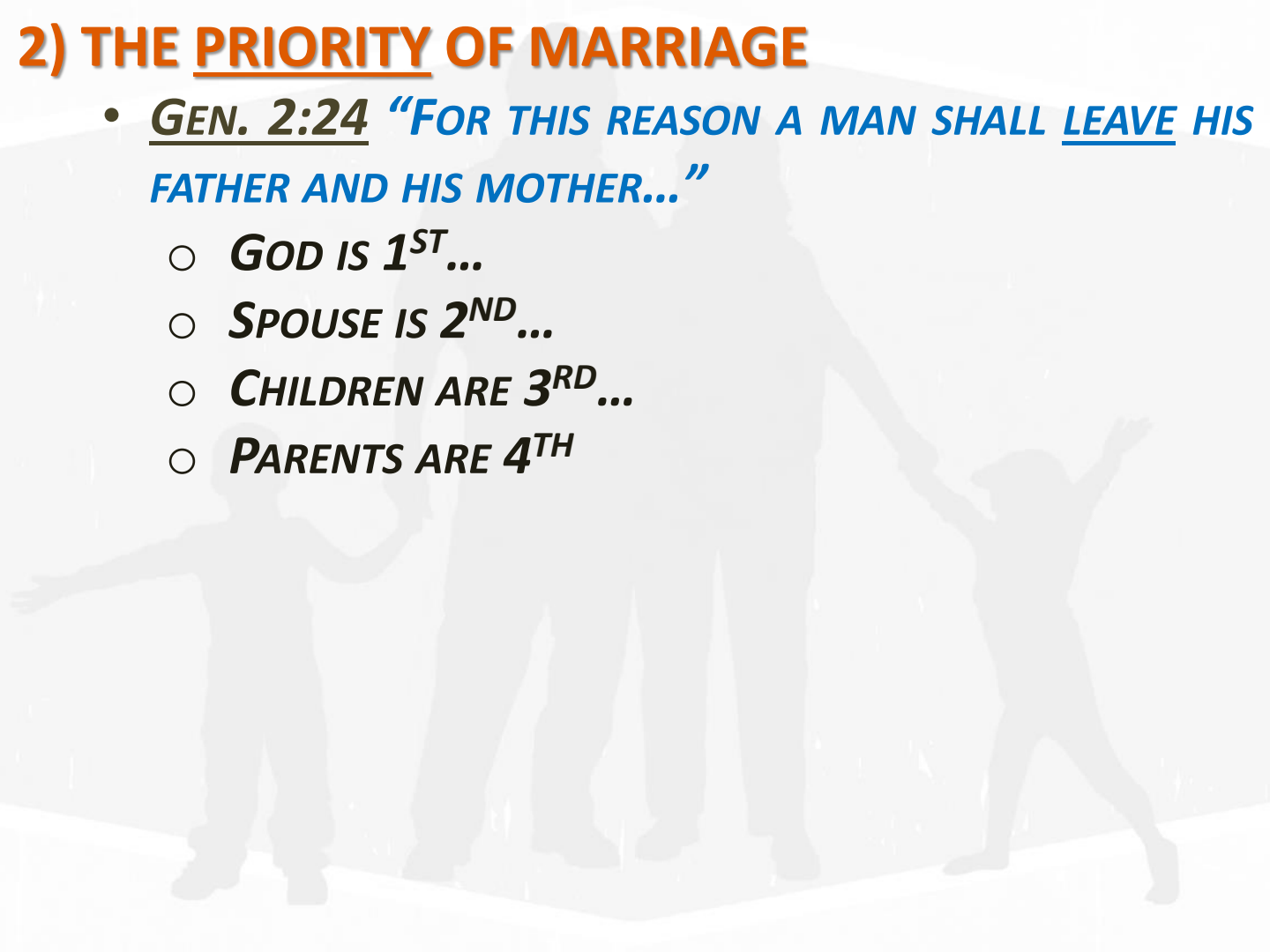
- God designed marriage to meet our need for companionship and to provide an illustration of our relationship with Him—ultimately for the purpose of bringing Him glory.

## HOW WE PURPOSE TO GLORIFY GOD IN MARRIAGE:

- 1st - In Companionship Which Fulfills His Commission  
Gen. 2:18 “It is not good for the man to be alone...”
- 2nd - In Companionship Which Completes His Design  
Gen. 2:18 “I will make him a helper suitable for him.”

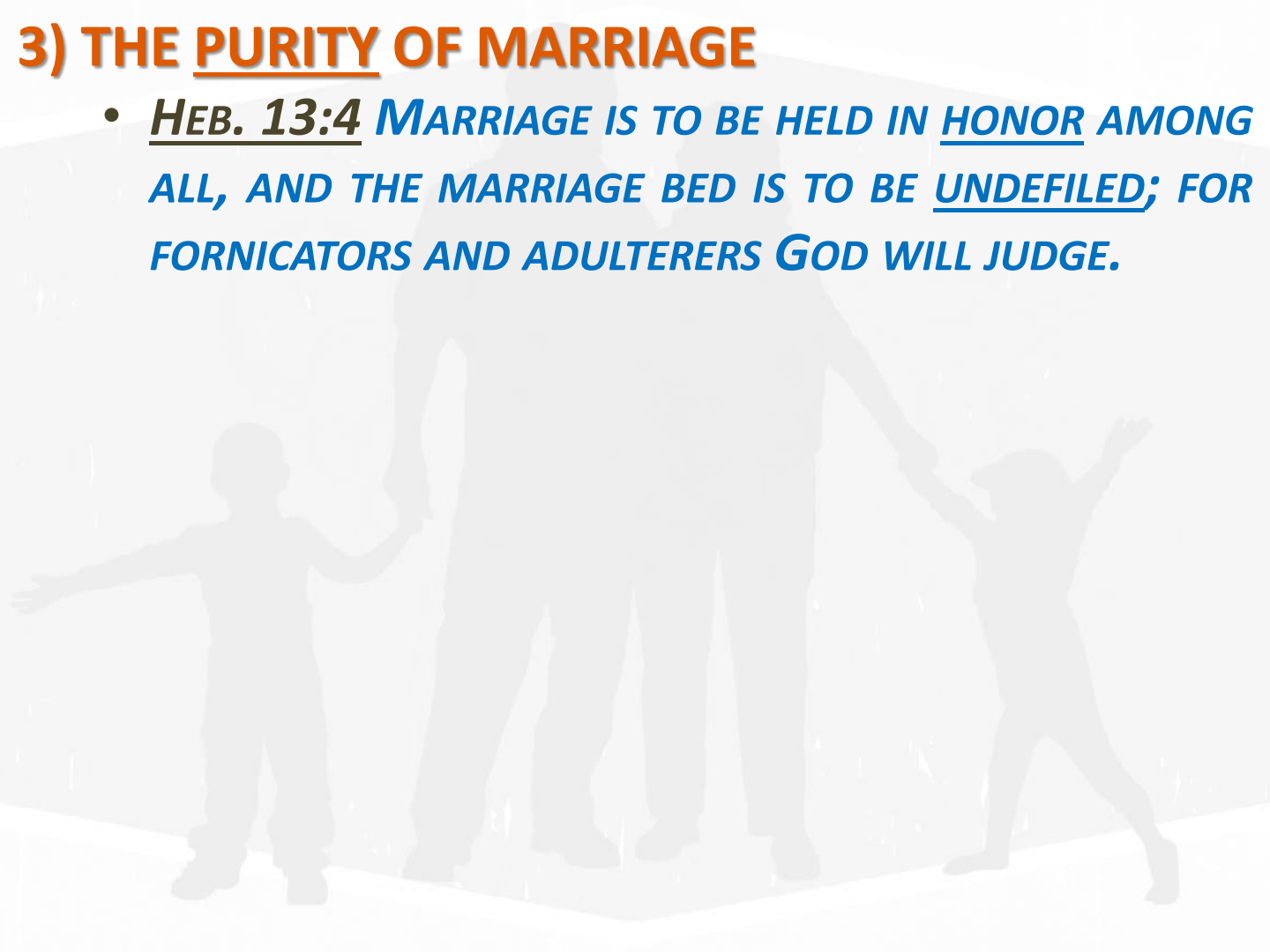
## 2) THE PRIORITY OF MARRIAGE

- GEN. 2:24 ***“FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND HIS MOTHER...”***
  - **GOD IS 1<sup>ST</sup>...**
  - **SPOUSE IS 2<sup>ND</sup>...**
  - **CHILDREN ARE 3<sup>RD</sup>...**
  - **PARENTS ARE 4<sup>TH</sup>**




### 3) THE PURITY OF MARRIAGE

- HEB. 13:4 *MARRIAGE IS TO BE HELD IN HONOR AMONG ALL, AND THE MARRIAGE BED IS TO BE UNDEFILED; FOR FORNICATORS AND ADULTERERS GOD WILL JUDGE.*



## 4) THE PERMANENCE OF MARRIAGE:

- GEN. 2:24 ***"FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND HIS MOTHER, AND BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE; AND THEY SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH."***
  - **1<sup>st</sup> BE COMMITTED**
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> CHOOSE TO LOVE**
  - **3<sup>rd</sup> CULTIVATE YOUR LOVE**
  - **4<sup>th</sup> GET CLOSE TO CHRIST**

A faint, light gray silhouette of a family of four (two adults and two children) holding hands in a circle, forming a diamond shape. The background is white with a faint gray diamond outline.

**THE PURPOSE...**  
**THE PRIORITY...**  
**THE PURITY...**  
**THE PERMANENCE**  
**OF MARRIAGE.**

