

Gary & Laura Taggart

Re-imagining Relationships



Laura and Gary connect with couples! They're authentic to the core - so you know you're learning from people who've "been there." Their mix of humor and truth helps couples identify places they can grow. The practical tools they share make growth achievable. Best of all, after hearing Laura and Gary, you know you've got new friends who will encourage and support you on your journey.

Mark Wollan, Senior Pastor,
San Ramon Presbyterian Church,
San Ramon, CA

Gary and Laura Taggart are dynamic and playful speakers and together offer unique insights about the marriage relationship.

Through humor, wisdom, practical skills and scriptural understanding, they challenge and invigorate couples to enjoy all marriage was created to be.

Gary and Laura have been married for over forty years. From experience, they speak with an honesty and authenticity that drops defenses and builds trust. You will leave with a much deeper awareness of the possibilities of your relationship and useful tools that will take your marriage to the next level!

Laura has been a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist for thirty years. She graduated with a masters degree in Marriage and Family Ministry from Fuller Theological Seminary where she has also served as an adjunct professor of counseling. She is the author of "Making Love Last: Divorce-Proofing Your Young Marriage."

Gary has been a Vice President of Sales in the tech industry for his career. He holds an MBA from UCLA. As a businessman, Gary brings practical wisdom and a real-life perspective that is extremely relatable for the guys. He has served in various capacities in his church and currently heads a missions effort in Ethiopia.

As a couple, Gary and Laura have taught marriage conferences and retreats for over 16 years.

Travel
From:
Pleasanton,
California

Great For:
Marriage Events,
Women's Ministry Events,
Church-Wide Outreach Events

Author Of:
Making Love Last:
Divorce-Proofing Your
Young Marriage

When a pastor friend says, "You've got to get this couple at Mount Hermon to speak for one of your Marriage Retreats," I listen! Laura and Gary Taggart were so well received. I not only look for depth of content, and ability to respond to hard questions, but communication and interactive skills. They excelled in all areas. I will be inviting them back for another conference next year.

Dave Burns, Director of Adult Ministries, Mount Hermon Christian Conference Center

Making Love Last

Every great wedding should be followed by a great marriage. But if you've been married a while, you know it's not that easy. Life's challenges and changes can stress out even the strongest couples. Come and make love last by deepening your emotional, sexual and spiritual intimacy.

At this retreat you will learn to:

- Increase emotional connection with your mate
- Recognize the impact of your upbringing on your relationship
- Identify and intercept reactive cycles of conflict
- Enjoy more mutuality and freedom in your sexual connection
- Develop compassion for yourself and your mate
- Invite God into the journey of your marriage

This dynamic retreat is offered in three formats – half day, full day, or full weekend (Friday night–Sunday morning). The full weekend retreat includes more extensive information and allows for more intentional couple time to process the content of the retreat.

The Great Marriage Adventure

Our differences as husband and wife are a source of strength for our relationship as well as a source of friction. Our different personalities, our different ways of processing, our different physical make-ups, our different histories, can all play a role in how we communicate and how we do conflict.

Themed with a mountain climb in mind, at this retreat you will:

- Learn how your differences impact your expectations and communications and give you skills to have conversations that will deepen understanding
- Uncover the legitimate "dreams" underlying your conflicts and receive tools for navigating disagreements effectively
- Discover the "6 Keys for Great Sex"
- Learn God's "Three Simple Truths That Will Change Your Marriage"

Offered in weekend format only.

The Dance of Marriage

We come to marriage with imprints from childhood which have a strong impact on our experience of giving and receiving love. This retreat helps you explore your "dance" – your unique patterns as a couple and the way each of your love styles impact how you do communication, conflict and emotional connection.

The retreat will:

- Give you a template to understand how your love styles create your unique "dance"
- Provide practical steps for intercepting escalating conflict
- Help you exit negative patterns and adopt new, healthier patterns
- Help you experience compassion for yourself and your mate

Offered in weekend format only.