

## **Basics & Orientation Discussion**

1. What do you expect out of this day?
2. Why do you suppose the Catholic Church insists on marriage preparation?
3. Why do you want a Catholic wedding?
4. Do you think marriage is a private or public or religious affair?
5. How is a Christian/sacramental wedding and marriage different from a civil/natural wedding and marriage?
6. When or why do you suppose God invented marriage?
7. What is necessary for a valid civil marriage? Natural marriage? Sacramental marriage?
8. Thinking in terms, even of godless evolution, why do you think sex and sexual activity evolved in animals and in people? What is the purpose of the sexual act? Why did sexual pleasure evolve?
9. Why is some form of natural marriage found in all societies? Can societies be dysfunctional as well as individuals?
10. Is the sexual act just physical? Emotional? Mystical/spiritual?
11. How does nature fit God's purpose for sex and marriage?
12. Is marriage a human, natural, or divine institution?
13. How can we know God's plan? Who speaks for God?
14. What is human life good for? Why are we here at all?
15. What is sin and is there a real eternal danger in sinning?