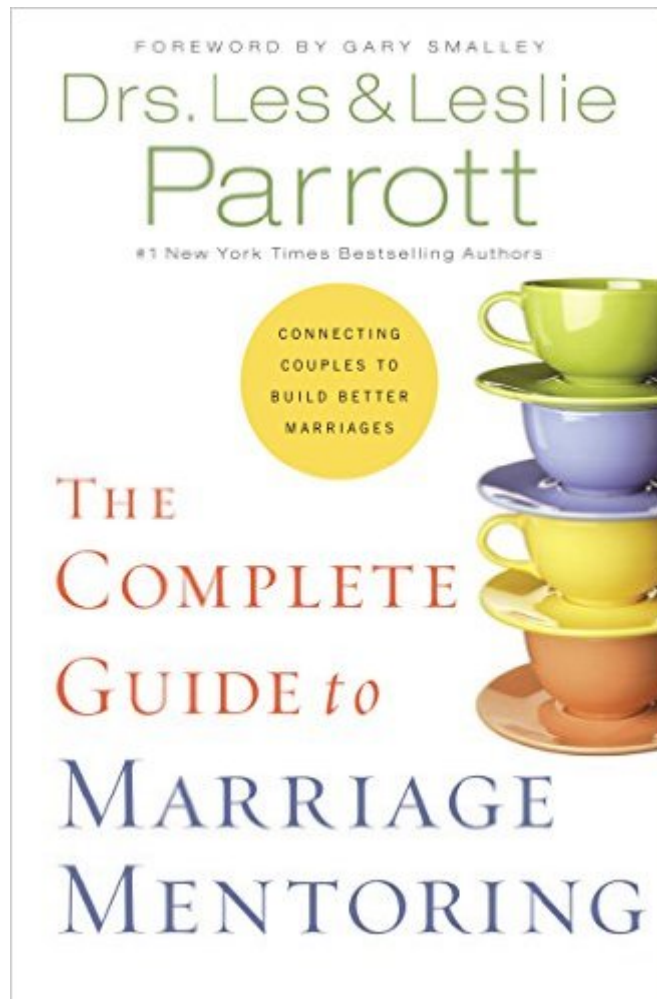


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# The Complete Guide To Marriage Mentoring: Connecting Couples To Build Better Marriages



## Synopsis

A comprehensive resource to help churches build a thriving marriage mentoring program Les and Leslie Parrott are passionate about how marriage mentoring can transform couples, families, and entire congregations. The Complete Guide to Marriage Mentoring includes life-changing insights and essential skills for

- Preparing engaged and newlywed couples
- Maximizing marriages from good to great
- Repairing marriages in distress

Practical guidelines help mentors and couples work together as a team, agree on outcomes, and develop skills for the marriage mentoring process. Appendixes offer a wealth of additional resources and tools. An exhaustive resource for marriage mentorship in any church setting, this guide also includes insights from interviews with church leaders and marriage mentors from around the country. "The time is ripe for marriage mentoring, and this book is exactly what we need."

• Gary Smalley, author of *The DNA of Relationships*

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Whenever a new ministry tool is evaluated, one of the first things one asks is how can I find the time to do this? This book describes a simple and straightforward method for specialty area of mentoring not often talked about. Here the Parrott's talk about three categories. The first one is engaged and newly married. The second is good marriages that look for maximizing their potential as a couple. The third category is for marriages needing repair. They give relatively simple advice for each situation. This is not a counseling course or a method that employs counseling. This is a mentoring

specialty concept. They have worked with hundreds or perhaps thousands of couples. As we studied the material we came to the conclusion that this tool (I won't call it a program-even though the authors do)...no this tool can be used inside a small group network of a local church. So it is possible to leave the existing structure of a cell church or small group based church intact and use these tools. It's with that in mind that I highly recommend it. Some of the downsides I see. There is an application process for selecting and matching mentors/mentorees. However, there is no integration into a typical Members in Ministry process. For example, if a church uses a spiritual gifts assessment to help people identify their spiritual gifts, then matches the gifts people have with ministries, this tool is void of an 'hook' to connect into that sort of setting. This is in spite of the fact that overwhelming research was done before this book was published to demonstrate that ministry positions need to be matched to people's spiritual gift mix.

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