



**OVERVIEW OF RESPONSES**  
**“Intentionally His” Couple’s Retreat**

**Host – Pastor Robert Brink**

First Church of God

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<b>After this retreat, I feel...</b>	
1. Encouraged and challenged.	Pastor Robert Brink
2. That I know what the vision for my life should be. It reaffirms some of my thoughts, but challenges me to reach higher.	
3. Like I have a new approach to my life. It's been tiring to think so much, but good.	
4. Encouraged to spend quality time with my family. I want to create awesome memories.	
5. Very challenged to continue what you have started, because of A.D.D. distractions, but thank you for pushing us.	
6. That I have been enlightened about some of my areas of opportunity to grow.	
7. Like God has truly shown me how I need to be intentional about my relationship with my family.	
8. I understand better the things I need to work on as “head of the house.”	
9. A lot more open to the opinions of others. I feel eager to spend more time talking with my wife.	
<b>I learned the most about....</b>	
1. A vision for the family.	Pastor Robert Brink
2. Understanding I must be intentional to become more connected to God, Ron, and my family.	
3. “Non-negotiables.” I like how these were explained.	
4. My spouse’s view of our life and journey.	
5. Setting non-negotiable boundaries in my life, behavior and attitudes.	
6. How to begin the process of seeking God’s vision for our life.	
7. Passion for others toward salvation in Christ.	
8. Taking time to notice the uniqueness of my spouse and the gifts she brings.	
9. Drawing closer to God and allowing him to continue to lead my life and ministry to my family.	
10. Taking more of the lead in my home.	
11. I liked the “bow and arrow” illustration.	
12. Distractions in my life keeping me from reaching my full potential in God’s will.	
13. Myself. Many of the different views helped me to see my own outlook on things.	
<b>The portion of the retreat having the greatest impact on me personally was...</b>	
1. Session #1, evidence of miss-alignment and am I dangerous for Christ.	
2. Busyness! I like the quote “If Satan can’t make you fail, he’ll just make you busy.”	
3. Our work and times of introspection.	
4. Todd’s passionate teaching and examples made the most impact.	
5. Session 4 on vision as a couple.	
6. Trying not to let our “motion become our vision.”	
7. Knowing I need to find out who God wants me to be.	

8.	A shift in my view of priorities.	
9.	Asking myself what more I can do for my family and my God.	
10.	How important a "vision" is for me and my family.	
<b>My significant "ah ha" from this retreat was...</b>		
1.	Discovering a weakness for really listening and sensitivity.	Pastor Robert Brink
2.	"To live outside his will puts us in danger, but to live in his will makes us dangerous."	
3.	Getting close to God (i.e. at his right hand) and letting Him deal with the issues confronting me.	
4.	The eternal consequences of either being intentional or unintentional with my life.	
5.	Living intentionally.	
6.	Psalm 110 – ...sit at the right hand of God.	
7.	Habakuk 2:2-3 – God's timing is best, not what I think.	
8.	Speed of life does not determine success of life.	
9.	"If Satan can't make you fail, he'll just make you busy."	
10.	The value of my wife and our relationship together with God, seeing how we can continue to grow.	
11.	"With God's appointing comes his anointing..."	
<b>This retreat was different from other retreats like this for me in that...</b>		
1.	It made me look deeply at myself, family and spouse. It was thought provoking.	Ron Hammond
2.	I really had to and needed to re-examine my life. It felt good to start again.	
3.	It was immediately, effectively applicable.	
4.	It gave tools that can be useful in areas in addition to marriage – work, church and relationships.	
5.	My participation being active – having to reach way down, instead of listening and taking notes and considering and thinking about the speakers goals.	
6.	It was completely different and refreshing. Thank you!	
7.	It was not about process or plans, but about purpose.	
8.	It was up-tempo. No one fell asleep. Great job!	
9.	It had spiritual application in many areas of the Christian walk, not just marriage, but for the church as well.	
10.	It made me "think about" rather than "tell me" what to do.	
11.	The small setting was comfortable to be open and honest with others.	
12.	It related to every aspect of our life.	
13.	It was more a personal relationship with Christ than other couple weekend that we have been on. It was good, but different.	