Case Study

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# Instructions

The purpose of this assignment is to **apply your knowledge and deepen your learning** from *responding to real life examples that you or others may face in defending the Proclamation and the eternal family****.* You must answer the questions** in the case study (cut and paste them below for reference). *Be sure to connect the references to your thoughts and discuss why/how the reference helps to answer or strengthen your response****.* Responses must show thought, reflection, pondering and depth with college-level writing skills. You must provide at least four citations**from the talks discussed in this unit. Each citation must be from a different talk. **You must also use the Proclamation and at least one scripture**. The passages must be cited properly based on the following criteria:

Question or requirement 1: What gospel principles or doctrines are involved in the case study, and how do they help to clarify and give direction in addressing the situation?

Question or requirement 2: Drawing inspiration from the proclamation, scripture block, and talks, discuss what resources you would use to address the dilemma and how those resources would be helpful.

Question or requirement 3: Are there specific things you would suggest that could be done to help resolve the issue?

Question or requirement 4 (if required): Copy and Paste the question or requirement here for reference

Your friend is getting married soon. They only experienced awkwardness when discussing sexual intimacy as they were growing up. They read an article by Elder Renlund that says, “Our purpose in mortality is to become like our heavenly parents. Our divine understanding and use of sexual intimacy are essential to that process of becoming.” Your friend says that it is difficult to understand how to improve their understanding and overcome awkward feelings.

# Case Study Report

In 1-2 page(s), write a response that responds appropriately to the requirements and questions for the case study that you have chosen.

1. Talking with my friend I would explain why pure intimacy is so important. Sister Nelson in a talk titled “Love And Marriage” explains how to prepare yourself for true love and says, “Your future spouse will thank you because in that very moment you will be preparing for true marital intimacy. So, if you’re single and wonder how best to prepare for true love, the answer is: Do whatever it takes to keep your thoughts, feelings, words, and actions pure. Invite the Spirit to guide you. He will help you!” The conversation can be awkward at times, but by preparing yourself you will be able to have this conversation with the one you love. Elder Spencer W. Kimball also quotes in a talk titled, ‘Miracle of Forgiveness”, ““Even though sex can be an important and satisfactory part of married life, we must remember that life is not designed just for sex. Even marriage does not make proper certain extremes in sexual indulgence.” It is important to remember marriage is not completely about sexual intimacy but remember to become like Him. The awkwardness may be there in the beginning, but being partners makes it easier. President Hunter said, “Because marriage is ordained of God, the intimate relationship between husbands and wives is good and honorable in the eyes of God. He has commanded that they be one flesh and that they multiply and replenish the earth. You are to love your wife as Christ loved the Church and gave himself for it.”(Ensign Nov. 1994) The sacredness of intimacy brings us closer to Christ. Loving Christ as Christ loves the church is an important idea to live by. It is a natural thing, and it helps us become more like Him when done in the right way. “Our natural affections are planted in us by the Spirit of God, for a wise purpose; and they are the very mainsprings of life and happiness—they are the cement of all virtuous and heavenly society—they are the essence of charity, or love” (Elder Pratt, “Writings of Parley Parker Pratt.”) Intimacy is about being one with another. Being one. 1 Corinthians 7:4, ““The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise, also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife.” Sexual intimacy also brings children, and they are important to the plan. The Family: A Proclamation To The World says,” We declare that God’s commandment for His children to multiply and replenish the earth remains in force. “

## References Used (All 6 required):

1. Scripture: 1 Corinthians 7:4
2. Proclamation: The Family: A Proclamation To The World
3. Talk: “Miracle Of Forgiveness” Elder Kimball
4. Talk: “Love and Marriage” Sister Nelson
5. Talk: Ensign Nov. 1994 President Hunter
6. Talk: “Writings of Parley Parker Pratt” Elder Pratt