Unit Eleven

Suggested time for unit: Eight 50-minute class periods

ISSUE: Marriage

UNIT PROBLEM: What can I be doing now to prepare for marriage later on?

LESSONS:
A. Analyze the influence of values and goals on preparing for marriage.
B. Recognize the effect of marriage on relationships with others.
C. Evaluate roles in preparing for marriage.
D. Assess ways of using resources to prepare for marriage.
E. Practical reasoning exercise.
F. Test bank.

VALUE ASSUMPTIONS:
(Unit rationale)

GUIDING TOPICS:
(Content)

Lesson A:
SUB-PROBLEM 1
Teens should think about what is important to them in a marriage relationship.

Family functions
Sharing resources, responsibilities, priorities, goals
Kinds of family structure
Nuclear, extended, one-parent, blended
Family stages
Founding, expanding, contracting
Valued qualities in a "date"
Later in a "mate"

Lesson B:
SUB-PROBLEM
A marriage relationship has a profound effect on other important relationships.

Lasting relationships: initiation, maintenance, commitment, termination.
Engagement and readiness
Intimacy

Lesson C:
SUB-PROBLEM
Evaluate roles in preparing for marriage.

Who will do what in the marriage partnership?

Lesson D:
SUB-PROBLEM
Assess ways of using resources to prepare for marriage.

Time
Communication
Money

Moving Out!