

### General Advice

Don't marry someone you can live with, marry someone you can't live without.

It is better to be single and miserable than married and miserable. Don't marry the wrong person.

What you see is what you get. Don't expect them to change after you get married.

### The Baseline for Marriage

1. **Spiritual Commonality** More than just believing in God. You must align on major doctrines.

2. **Family Friendship** If both sets of parents do not like each other that is a problem. Marriage is not only the union of two people but a union of two families.

3. **Things in Common** You will be old and wrinkly when you are 80. You should like to do similar things so that you have more to do than just eating.

4. **Physical Chemistry** Most people put this first and ignore the first three. The first three are more important.

### The Role of The Husband

1. To love the Lord God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. To love others.

2. To love his wife sacrificially and teach her the word of God.

3. To dwell with the wife in an understanding way as the weaker vessel.

4. To provide and protect.

### The Role of The Wife

1. To love God with all her heart, soul, mind, and strength. To love others.

2. To submit to her husband in everything.

3. To be a keeper of the home.

### How to Find a Spouse

Go to church. Join a singles Bible study. Serve the Lord.

### What to Look for In A Husband

### What to Look for in a Wife

### How Marriage Works

**Love** Let all that you do be done with love. 1 Corinthians 16:14

**Communication** Use words, not notes or hints. Only God can read people's minds. Speak the truth in love. Ephesians 4:15

**Effort** Marriage is not 50/50. Marriage is 100/100. Proverbs 6:6-11

**Fruit of the Spirit** Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control. Galations 5:22-23



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