

WRONG FOUNDATION TO MARRIAGE

A MARRIAGE MUST BE BUILT ON A SOLID FOUNDATION IN ORDER FOR THE HOME TO BE SUSTAINED

Luke 6:47-49 (KJV)

⁴⁷ Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like: ⁴⁸ He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock. ⁴⁹ But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.

Foundation is essential for any structure to be sustained. Therefore one must be careful to the type of foundation he takes into marriage.

Psalm 11:3 (KJV)

³ If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

Galatians 6:7 (KJV)

⁷ Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND PARENTS SEEK THE GUIDANCE OF THE LORD FOR DIVINE DIRECTION TO LIFE

Wrong Association

Genesis 34:1 (KJV)

*¹ And Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob, **went out to see the daughters of the land.***

As parents we have to open our eyes on how our children's behavior:

- Is your child smoking, drinking, or taking cocaine?

If you keep polluting yourself with smoking, drinking, watching pornography when you are young; will you get it rid of it when you get married? No.

- Is he or she going out and not coming home to sleep or coming home late?

Then question yourselves and start seeking for God's council.

Wrong association has been the problem of the youth of today.

So much of the world attracts them and they want to try things, and end up in wrong places, and harm themselves.

RAPE AND SEX BEFORE MARRIAGE

Genesis 34:2-3 (KJV)

*² And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the country, **saw her, he took her, and lay with her, and defiled her.***

*³ And **his soul clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the damsel, and spake kindly unto the damsel.***

Sex before marriage defiles you. Breaking your virginity before marriage defiles you and set a pace for foundational problems in your marriage.

Is there a pleasure in sin?

Hebrews 11:25 (KJV)

²⁵ *Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;*

It is the passing pleasure of sin, just for few minutes of pleasure and you will destroy your life.

There will be always a choice for you

Sex is the strongest desire in any area where you will have to make a choice more than any other area of pleasure in your life. There is a tremendous pleasure in sex, God created it to be enjoyed in marriage. Sex outside marriage is wrong. It is a battle but you have to fight it.

Parents' Don't Trade or Sell your children's destiny for anything

Genesis 34:8-10 (KJV)

⁸ *And Hamor (Shechem's father) communed with them, saying, The soul of my son Shechem longeth for your daughter: I pray you give her him to wife.*

⁹ *And make ye marriages with us, and give your daughters unto us, and take our daughters unto you.*

¹⁰ *And ye shall dwell with us: and the land shall be before you; dwell and trade ye therein, and get you possessions therein.*

Interest based or arranged marriages could be destructive for the parties involved.

You should not under any circumstance trade your children's destiny for your own interest or for material things.

MARRIAGES TO AVOID AS A GODLY PERSON

- Avoid a marriage that will turn you away from God

Deuteronomy 7:3-4 (KJV)

³ *Neither shalt thou make marriages with them(verse 1: the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou); thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.*

Reason

⁴ *For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.*

Any relationship that will turn you away from God must be avoided.

The Lord shall be against you if you choose to go against Him.

Joshua 23:11-13 (KJV) - Example

¹¹ *Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the LORD your God.*

¹² *Else if ye do in any wise go back, and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, even these that remain among you, and shall make marriages with them, and go in unto them, and they to you:*

¹³ ***Know for a certainty that the LORD your God will no more drive out any of these nations from before you; but they shall be snares and traps unto you, and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.***

Who are you choosing?

Numbers 36:5-6 (KJV)

⁵ *And Moses commanded the children of Israel according to the word of the LORD, saying, The tribe of the sons of Joseph hath said well.*

⁶ *This is the thing which the LORD doth command concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying, **Let them marry to whom they think best; only to the family of the tribe of their father shall they marry.***

Let your partner be a believer for God has a standard that he wants us to follow.

Marriage is not meant for Christians only, marriage is for human beings.

1 Corinthians 7:12-16 (KJV)

¹² *But to the rest speak I, not the Lord: If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away.*

¹³ *And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to dwell with her, let her not leave him.*

¹⁴ *For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband: else were your children unclean; **but now are they holy.***

¹⁵ ***But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such cases: but God hath called us to peace.***

¹⁶ ***For what knowest thou, O wife, whether thou shalt save thy husband? or how knowest thou, O man, whether thou shalt save thy wife?***

But if you have not made the choice before meeting your husband, then don't think you will convert that man or woman to the Lord.

Proverbs 6:27-28 (KJV)

²⁷ ***Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned?***

²⁸ ***Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned?***