

## WISDOM IN MARRIAGE IS PRINCIPAL

### **Proverbs 4:7 (KJV)**

*<sup>7</sup> Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.*

### **1. WHY MARRY?**

Marry to avoid fornication unto destruction.

### **1 Corinthians 7:9 (KJV)**

*<sup>9</sup> it is better to marry than to burn.*

So in moving around changing women, you must know that your live is at risk to perish.

### **2. HOW IMPORTANT IS MARRIAGE IS TO GOD?**

Marriage is as important as the church is to God.

### **1 Corinthians 11:3 (KJV)**

*<sup>3</sup> But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.*

### **Ephesians 5:21-33 (KJV)**

*<sup>21</sup> Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. <sup>22</sup> Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. <sup>24</sup> Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. <sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; <sup>26</sup> That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, <sup>27</sup> That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup> So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. <sup>29</sup> For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: <sup>30</sup> For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. <sup>31</sup> For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. <sup>32</sup> This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup> Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.*

### **3. DID GOD WITNESS YOUR MARRIAGE?**

God witnessed our marriages and he is watching how we treat each other in His matrimonial covenant.

### **Malachi 2:13-16 (KJV)**

*<sup>13</sup> And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping, and with crying out, insomuch that he regardeth not the offering any more, or receiveth it with good will at your hand. <sup>14</sup> Yet ye say, Wherefore? **Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth**, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet is she thy companion, and **the wife of thy covenant**. <sup>15</sup> And did not he make one? Yet had he the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? **That he might seek a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.** <sup>16</sup> For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that **he hateth putting away**: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.*

#### **4. HOW GOD SEES COUPLES IN MARRIAGES?**

Woman is of the man, even so is the man also by the woman; but all things of God.

##### **1 Corinthians 11:6-12 (KJV)**

<sup>7</sup> For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but **the woman is the glory of the man.** <sup>8</sup> For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man. <sup>9</sup> Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man. <sup>10</sup> For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels. <sup>11</sup> **Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord.** <sup>12</sup> **For as the woman is of the man, even so is the man also by the woman; but all things of God.**

#### **5. WHAT IS GOD'S VIEW OF PARENT'S RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD THEIR CHILDREN?**

Parents must prepare their children's future and avoid interfering their marriages.

##### **Proverbs 22:6 (KJV)**

<sup>6</sup> Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

##### **Proverbs 13:22 (KJV)**

<sup>22</sup> A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children:

Parents must not put their responsibilities upon their children. Your daughter's or son's marriage must not be considered as your future investment for the family. Parents must therefore learn not to interfere in their children's marriages for unnecessary pressure.

#### **6. HOW GOD SEES MARRIAGE IN RELATION TO OUR FATHER'S AND MOTHER'S HOUSES?**

Man and woman must leave their families to be joined into marriage for God's purposes to be established.

##### **Genesis 2:24 (KJV)**

<sup>24</sup> Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

##### **Psalms 45:10 (KJV)**

<sup>10</sup> Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house;

Marriage and extended family relationship

- Husband and wife each seeking for his own self

If everyone is seeking his own wealth, then the marriage will be destroyed

##### **1 Corinthians 10:24 (KJV)**

<sup>24</sup> Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth.

- Husband and wife each seeking to take from the marriage to his or her own family alone.

If everyone is seeking his own, who is going to take care of the future of your children?

Be careful in money matters

Husband and wife must sit down and calculate the distribution of money toward the extended family members and among other responsibilities.

## **7. WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT OUR SEXUALITY IN MARRIAGE?**

Sex in marriage is not meant to be used as a weapon against a partner.

1 Corinthians 7:2-5 (KJV)

<sup>2</sup> Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband. <sup>3</sup> Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. <sup>4</sup> 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. <sup>5</sup> Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your incontinency.

### **1 Corinthians 7:1-6 (The Message)**

<sup>1</sup> **7** Now, getting down to the questions you asked in your letter to me. First, Is it a good thing to have sexual relations?

<sup>2-6</sup> Certainly—but only within a certain context. It's good for a man to have a wife, and for a woman to have a husband. Sexual drives are strong, but marriage is strong enough to contain them and provide for a balanced and fulfilling sexual life in a world of sexual disorder. The marriage bed must be a place of mutuality—the husband seeking to satisfy his wife, the wife seeking to satisfy her husband. Marriage is not a place to “stand up for your rights.” Marriage is a decision to serve the other, whether in bed or out. Abstaining from sex is permissible for a period of time if you both agree to it, and if it's for the purposes of prayer and fasting—but only for such times. Then come back together again. Satan has an ingenious way of tempting us when we least expect it. I'm not, understand, commanding these periods of abstinence—only providing my best counsel if you should choose them.