Pre-Marriage Questionnaire

I. ARE WE QUALIFIED TO MARRY?

A. Are we on the same level spiritually (II Corinthians 6:14-16)?

1. Born again? No ____ Yes ____ How long? ________________

2. Baptized in the Spirit No ____ Yes ____ When? ________________

3. Baptized in water? No ____ Yes ____ When? ________________

4. Living a life committed to Christ and the service of others? No ___ Yes ___

5. Committed to a local church? No ____ Yes ____ Where? ________________

B. Give three reasons why you want to marry: ________________

C. Are we qualified to get married? Do we have a past marriage relationship that is not biblically resolved? ________________

1. Any children from a past relationship? No ____ Yes ____

2. Is there a past marriage and divorce? No ____ Yes ____

3. If yes, was the divorce biblical? No ____ Yes ____ Unsure ____

4. If yes, am I biblically free to marry? No ____ Yes ____ Unsure ____

   Explain your situation: ________________
D. How do my parents and spiritual leaders honestly feel about our relationship and potential marriage? Check all that apply.

Mother  Father  Pastor / Elder
☐ Eager for it  ☐ Eager for it  ☐ Eager for it
☐ Reserved about it  ☐ Reserved about it  ☐ Reserved about it
☐ Against it  ☐ Against it  ☐ Against it

If any authorities have reservations about the relationship, what are their concerns? ____________________________________________________________

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E. Is it God’s will for us to marry? (Comment on answers)

1. Do I have the gift of singleness? (I Corinthians 7:1-9, 17-40)
   No ____  Yes ____ ________________________________

2. Do we have the same long-term goals? (Amos 3:3)? ________________
   ________________________________________________________________

3. Does God have an active part in our relationship? ________________
   ________________________________________________________________

4. Have I prayed sincerely about this relationship? No _____ Yes _____
   What has God said? ______________________________________________

5. Would marriage hinder or help your usefulness to the Lord and fulfillment of His word? Help ____  Hinder ____  In what way? ________________
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II. ARE WE MATURE ENOUGH TO MARRY?

A. Have we been able to solve problems biblically? No ____  Yes ____

1. What problems or disagreements have you had during your courtship? ___
   ________________________________________________________________
2. How did you resolve them?

3. Do you feel that they are completely settled now?

4. Do you feel that either of you ever uses wrong means to get your own way?
   No ____  Yes ____
   a. Is one a bully? No ____  Yes ____  Which one? ________________
   b. Does one manipulate? No ____  Yes ____  Which one? _____________
   c. Does one avoid facing problems? No ____  Yes ____  
      Which one? ________________
   d. Do you let things slide until forgotten? No ____  Yes ____
   e. Do you store up resentments? No ____  Yes ____
   f. Does one of you sulk? No ____  Yes ____  Which one? _____________
   g. Does one blameshift or make excuses? No ____  Yes ____  
      Which one? ________________

5. Do you use biblical skills to solve problems?
   a. Do you bring things up and talk them through? No ____  Yes ____
   b. Do you find it easy to express your true feelings to your partner? 
      No ____  Yes ____
   c. Do you go to Christ for help? No ____  Yes ____
   d. Do you ask forgiveness for your failures? No ____  Yes ____
   e. Do you offer forgiveness to the other? No ____  Yes ____
   f. Do you pray together? No ____  Yes ____
   g. Do you keep lines of communication open? No ____  Yes ____

B. Have we experienced maturity in our relationship?  No ____  Yes ____
1. Does either manifest patterns of sin in their life? No ____ Yes ____

2. Is either tempting the other sexually? No ____ Yes ____
   Which one? __________________________

3. Is either critical toward the other in a verbal or physical way?
   No ____ Yes ____ Which one? __________________________

4. Do I lie to the other in this relationship? Never ____ Occasionally ____
   Often ____

5. Does either spend money impulsively? No ____ Yes ____
   Which one? __________________________

6. Do we have a good relationship with our parents? Comment__________
   _______________________________________

7. Do I have any extreme fears? No ____ Yes ____ Comment__________
   _______________________________________

8. Do you detect strong feelings of jealousy in your partner? No ____ Yes ____
   Is it a problem for you? __________________________
   _______________________________________

III. ARE WE WILLING AND READY TO “LEAVE” OTHER ATTACHMENTS?

A. Are we willing to emotionally break with our parents? No ____ Yes ____

B. Are we able to financially break from our parents? No ____ Yes ____

C. Are we willing to put the relationship before all other possessions?
   No ____ Yes ____ Comment: __________________________
   _______________________________________

D. Are we willing to give up the right to make independent decisions?
   No ____ Yes ____ Comment: __________________________

E. Are we willing to adjust our relationship to other singles of the opposite sex?
   No ____ Yes ____

IV. ARE WE READY TO “CLEAVE” TO EACH OTHER?

A. Are we willing to become accountable to the other? No ____ Yes ____
B. Are our lives going in the same direction?

1. What are my career goals? ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

2. What are my ministry goals? ______________________________
   ______________________________________________________

3. What are the ministry goals of my desired spouse? __________
   ______________________________________________________

C. What basic lifestyle are we expecting? Summarize in a brief paragraph.

________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________
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1. What income level? ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

2. What work hours? ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

3. What television habits? ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

4. What types of entertainment? ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

5. What types of recreation? ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________

6. What kind of church life / commitment? ________________________________
   ______________________________________________________
7. What church do we plan to attend? _______________________
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D. Do we agree philosophically?

1. Do we have any theological differences? No ____  Yes ____  If no, in what areas?

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2. Do we agree on male / female roles in the home? No ____  Yes ____  Comment:

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3. Do we both plan on working outside the home? No ____  Yes ____  Comment:

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4. What will be our financial priorities? _____________________________

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5. Do we want to have children? No ____  Yes ____  How many? __________

6. What are your views on contraceptives and which partner should use them?

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7. Do we agree on styles of child discipline? No ____  Yes ____  Comment:

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8. What is our attitude toward credit buying? _________________________

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9. How do we envision our relationship to relatives? ______________________


10. Are there any factors that might make the relationship difficult? __________


V. ARE WE READY TO ACCEPT EACH OTHER JUST AS WE ARE?

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A. If my potential spouse never changed, am I willing to accept them as they presently are? No ____ Yes ____ Comment: __________________________


B. Am I confident that this is the right time for us to be contemplating marriage? No ____ Yes ____ Anticipated wedding date? __________________________