

# PRE-MARRIAGE QUESTIONNAIRE



**A Guide for Couples and their Counselor**

# Pre-Marriage Questionnaire

## I. ARE WE QUALIFIED TO MARRY?

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

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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? \_\_\_\_\_

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B. Give three reasons why you want to marry: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

- | Mother                                     | Father                                     | Pastor / Elder                             |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Eager for it      | <input type="checkbox"/> Eager for it      | <input type="checkbox"/> Eager for it      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reserved about it | <input type="checkbox"/> Reserved about it | <input type="checkbox"/> Reserved about it |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Against it        | <input type="checkbox"/> Against it        | <input type="checkbox"/> 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)? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Does God have an active part in our relationship? \_\_\_\_\_

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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? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. How did you resolve them? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 7. Do I have any extreme fears? No \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ Comment \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 8. Do you detect strong feelings of jealousy in your partner? No \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_  
Is it a problem for you? \_\_\_\_\_  
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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: \_\_\_\_\_  
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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? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. What are my ministry goals? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. What are the ministry goals of my desired spouse? \_\_\_\_\_  
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C. What basic lifestyle are we expecting? Summarize in a brief paragraph.  
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1. What income level? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. What work hours? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What television habits? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. What types of entertainment? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. What types of recreation? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. What kind of church life / commitment? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. What church do we plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_

D. Do we agree philosophically?

1. Do we have any theological differences? No \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ What areas? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

4. What will be our financial priorities? \_\_\_\_\_

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? \_\_\_\_\_  
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10. Are there any factors that might make the relationship difficult? \_\_\_\_\_  
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V. ARE WE READY TO ACCEPT EACH OTHER JUST AS WE ARE?

QUALITY	MY POTENTIAL SPOUSE			ME		
	usually	sometimes	rarely	usually	sometimes	rarely
1. Strong Christian character						
2. Fully trustworthy						
3. Brings out best in others						
4. A servant spirit						
5. A hard worker						
6. Self-sacrificing for others						
7. Financially responsible						
8. Plans ahead						
9. Good self-image						
10. Generous						
11. Courteous to others						
12. Builds others up						
13. Fun to be around						
14. Generally optimistic						
15. Complimentary						
16. Easy to talk to						
17. Faithful on the job						
18. Respectful of authority						
19. Not angry quickly						
20. Calm under pressure						

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

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