



Dating, For the Glory of God

A. Biblical Principles for Marriage

- 1. God is the Author of Marriage (Gen. 2:18-25; Matt. 19:4-5; Mark 10:6-8)
- 2. God's Glory is the Goal of Marriage (1 Cor. 10:31; Matt. 5:16; John 14:15; Gal. 2:20)
- 3. God is Sovereign over Marriage (Prov. 19:14; Ps. 115:3; Prov. 16:9; Eph. 1:11; Job 42:2)
- 4. Marriage is to Reflect Christ and the Church (Eph. 5:22-25, 29-32)
- 5. God Designed Marriage to be a Covenant (Prov. 2:17; Mal. 2:13-14; Heb. 13:4)
- 6. God Defines Roles within Marriage (Eph. 5:22-33; Col. 3:18-19; 1 Pet. 3:1-7)

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- B. Godly Practices for Dating
 - 1. Ensure that YOU are Walking Worthy of the Lord (Eph. 4:1; Col. 3:1-3)
 - 2. Seek a Spouse 'in the Lord' (Matt. 23:12; 2 Cor. 6:14; 1 Cor. 7:39; Gal. 5:22-23)
 - 3. Involve Godly Individuals in the Process (Gen. 24; Ruth 1-4; Prov. 11:14; 19:20)
 - 4. Don't be Anxious for a Spouse (Matt. 6:25-34)
 - 5. Men Initiate, Ladies Respond (Prov. 18:22; Eph. 5:23; 1 Cor. 11:3; 1 Tim. 5:8)
 - 6. Get Busy Serving the Body of Christ (Matt. 6:33; Gal. 5:13; Rom. 12:11; 1 Cor. 7:32-34)