

Well. Well. Well.

Series: Wisdom for Life
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1. Marrying well means putting first things first.

He who finds a wife, finds a good thing and obtains favor from the Lord. Proverbs 18:22 (NLT)

“The determining factor when deciding whether to marry someone should be whether both people in the relationship want to help each other become what God has planned for them individually and together...To fall in love truly is to fall in love, not only with the person you know, but also who God is turning them into...in other words, you get glimpses of future greatness even though you know the person is greatly flawed. Yet, you get excited about their future self as well as who they are now and you say, I want to be part of getting you there.”
Tim Keller. The Meaning of Marriage

2. Marrying well means marrying wise.

- A. Look for someone who isn't characterized by uncontrolled anger. Proverbs 14:29, Proverbs 22:24-25
- B. Look for someone who isn't stuck in an addiction. Proverbs 20:1
- C. Look for someone who will be faithful. Proverbs 5:15-19

3. Marrying well means finding a careful wordsmith.

Proverbs 27:15-16. Proverbs 25:24

It is better to live alone in the desert than with a quarrelsome, complaining wife. Proverbs 21:19

Those who control their tongue will have a long life; opening your mouth can ruin everything. Proverbs 13:3

Single Well.

Marry Well.

Married Well.

Real wisdom, God's wisdom, begins with a holy life and is characterized by getting along with others. It is gentle and reasonable, overflowing with mercy and blessings, not hot and cold the next, not two-faced. You can develop a healthy, robust community that lives right with God and enjoy its results only if you do the hard work of getting along with each other, treating each other with dignity and honor. James 3:17-18 MSG