

# Before You Say Yes

Questions Every Christian Woman  
Must Ask Before Marriage

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## Mother Ties

- Is he independent or emotionally tied to his mother? (Genesis 2:24, Colossians 3:20)

## Health and Family Diseases

- What are his personal and generational health issues? (Exodus 15:26, Proverbs 27:12)

## Parental Relationships

- How does he honor his parents? (Exodus 20:12, Ephesians 6:2-3)

## Maid or Wife?

- Does he want a helper or a housekeeper? (Genesis 2:18, Ephesians 5:28-29)

## Children and Fertility

- Does he want children? What are his views on parenting and planning? (Psalm 127:3, Genesis 1:28)

## Past Relationships

- Has he been married before? Dated same-sex? What's his view on biblical marriage? (Malachi 2:16, 1 Cor 6:9-11)

## Anger and Violence

- Is he prone to anger? How does he handle conflict? (Proverbs 22:24-25, James 1:20)

## Finances

- What is his philosophy on money, debt, giving, and stewardship? (Proverbs 21:20, Malachi 3:10)

# Wait on the Lord

- Let your YES be rooted in peace and prayer, not pressure.
- Psalm 27:14 – 'Wait on the Lord... and He shall strengthen your heart.'
- Marriage is for purpose, legacy, and destiny.

# Exhaustive Questions

- Questions about:
- - Spiritual life
- - Family background
- - Mental/emotional health
- - Financial responsibility
- - Sexual integrity
- - Children & parenting
- - Independence & vision

## FINDING A HUSBAND IS HARD

You find a handsome one, the brain is empty.

You find a brilliant one, He looks too serious.

You find a rich one, He is disrespectful.

You find a hard-working one, he never has time for you,

You find a serious one, his EX keeps calling.

You find a humble one, He is broke.

You find a responsible one, he is not romantic.

You find an educated one, he feels he is always right.

You find an illiterate, he always gets angry whenever you correct him.

You find a smart one, he lies every time.



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**EACH COUPLE NEEDS TO FIND WHAT WORKS FOR THEM**



# Chapter: Vision for Marriage

## Strategic Thinking vs Systems Thinking

By Christian Rebernik

- Does he have a clear, God-given vision for life and marriage?  
(Habakkuk 2:2, Amos 3:3)
- Exodus 31:1-6.  
Bezalel & Oholiab

### Strategic Thinking

#### What is it?

Big-picture thinking to set direction and focus.

#### When to use it

- Setting goals & priorities
- Launching new products or markets
- Planning growth

#### Key questions

- ① Where are we going?
- ① What should we focus on?
- ① What will move the needle?

#### Best practices



Anchor to mission



Use data & models



Align people, capital, and ops



Review quarterly

#### Tools to use

- ☑ SWOT
- ☑ OKRs
- ☑ Strategic roadmaps
- ☑ Porter's 5 Forces

#### Common pitfalls

- ⚠ Chasing trends
- ⚠ Overthinking the plan
- ⚠ Ignoring execution limits

#### Reality check

- ☑ Most strategies need 2-3 rounds before they click.

#### Real-world examples

##### Startup

Pick a niche + price point.

##### Scale-up

Prioritize market expansion.

### Systems Thinking

#### What is it?

Understanding how everything connects and affects the whole.

#### When to use it

- Solving messy problems
- Improving how teams work together
- Managing change

#### Key questions

- ① How do parts influence each other?
- ① Where are delays or loops?
- ① What could backfire?

#### Best practices



Map the full system



Trace causes, not symptoms



Test fast, learn fast

#### Tools to use

- ☑ Causal-loop maps
- ☑ Stock-flow diagrams
- ☑ System archetypes

#### Common pitfalls

- ⚠ Over-analysis
- ⚠ Getting lost in the big picture
- ⚠ Solving one problem, creating another

#### Reality check

- ☑ Big changes take time—often 12-24 months to show results.

#### Real-world examples

##### Startup

Find onboarding friction across teams.

##### Enterprise

Cut churn by fixing handoff gaps.

Set strategy



Map the system



Execute



Learn



Refine



# **The need for a Godly Choice**

- **When you marry the right person you are COMPLETE?**  
**(\*\*\*we are complete, only in Christ).**
- **when you marry the wrong person, you are FINISHED!**  
**(You need Jesus Christ)**
- **When your wife catches you with another woman you are COMPLETELY FINISHED and**
- **when your wife likes shopping so much you are FINISHED COMPLETELY, unless you're graced for it.**
- **Your spouse is not your therapist; there is a Balm in Gilead Jeremiah 8:22. NKJV**

# God will judge each of us!

- Each must do their roles as unto the Lord, and not as a reciprocation of what the other is doing.
- Husbands are to love regardless.
- Wives are to submit regardless (not when scriptures are blatantly violated or life is at stake).
- You cannot do marriage alone.
- Isolation is the trap of Satan.
- Marriage is A HIGHWAY! Not a destination.



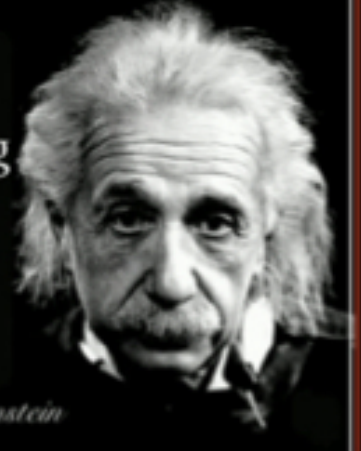
# MARRIAGE IS A HIGHWAY

- NOT & NEVER A DESTINATION.
- STARTING LOVE NEEDS NURTURING, OR IT WILL DIE.
- NOT 50/50 BUT 100% FROM EACH.
- IS A MINISTRY & A CROSS.



Insanity:  
doing the same thing  
over and over again  
and expecting  
different results.

*-Albert Einstein*



**A WISE WOMAN TREATS HER  
MAN LIKE A KING AND BECOMES  
THE QUEEN**

**“Every test from a woman is an opportunity for a man to demonstrate his strength and clarity. Failing to recognize this is failing to be the man she needs.”**

# Spiritual Leadership( Father/ Daughter)

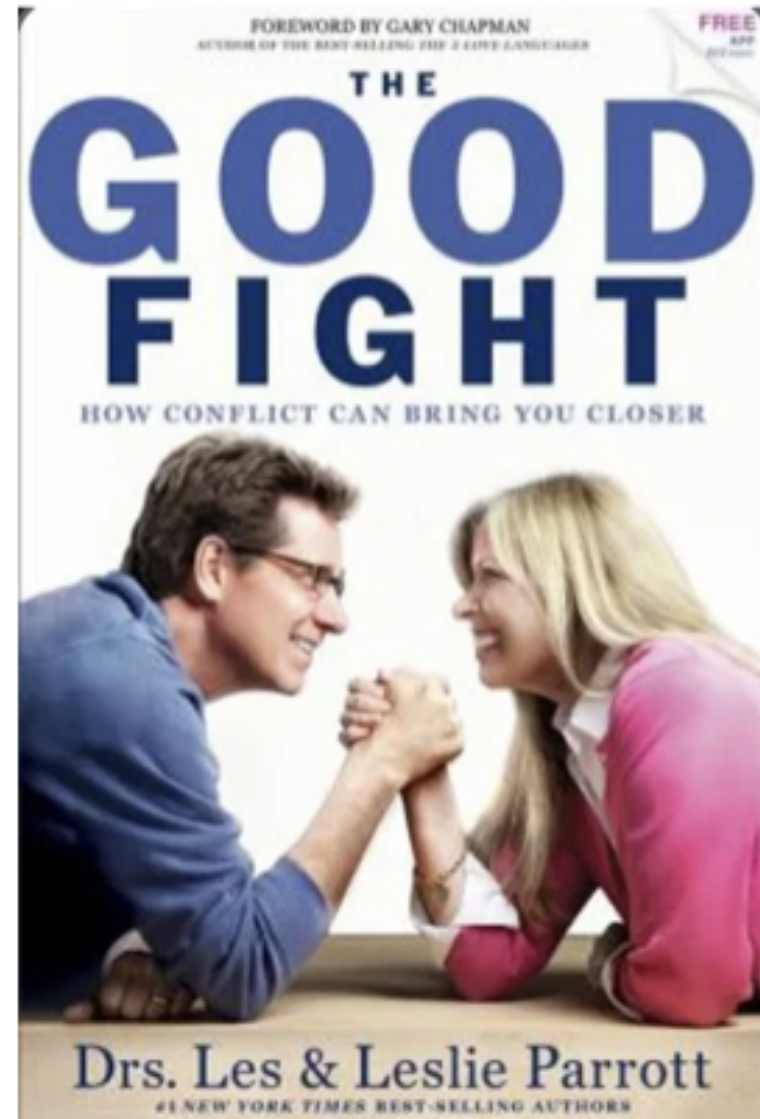
- **Leading in prayer, word, and godly example?** (Ephesians 5:23, 1 Cor 11:3)
- **Identity and Security Provider;** Daughters who are affirmed by their fathers grow up with a healthier self-image
- **Role Model of Godly;** A father is the first man his daughter sees consistently. He models what healthy manhood and leadership should look like.
- **Affirmer of Value and Beauty;** A father's words shape how a girl views herself. His affirmation guards her from seeking validation in unhealthy places.
- **Teacher of Truth and Wisdom.** Fathers play a critical role in passing down biblical instruction and moral clarity.
- **Bridge to Understanding God as Father.** A father's love and presence shape how a daughter perceives God's love. A godly father reflects the tender, strong, faithful nature of God the Father.
- **Guardian of Purity and Boundaries.** A father helps his daughter understand healthy boundaries and guards her purity until marriage.

# Upbringing and Trauma

- What shaped his personality and views? Is he healed or hiding pain? (Proverbs 22:6, Psalm 34:18)

## Conflict Resolution

Key Principle	Scripture (NKJV)
Address issues directly	Matthew 18:15–17
Speak gently	Proverbs 15:1
Live at peace if possible	Romans 12:17–18
Forgive and be kind	Ephesians 4:31–32
Listen before reacting	James 1:19–20
Forgive like Christ	Colossians 3:13–14
Let some things go	Proverbs 19:11
Restore others gently	Galatians 6:1
Be humble	Philippians 2:3–4
Pursue peace and holiness	Hebrews 12:14





## Intimacy and Connection

- Can he love emotionally and physically with maturity and purity? (1 Cor 7:3-5, Hebrews 13:4)
- FORNICATION IS A SIN.  
1 Corinthians 6:18-20 NKJV.
- Learn to wait!
- You will have serious challenges in marriage if have difficulty remaining pure and holy in your single life.
- God has not changed His views on fornication and adultery.

### Christian Response

### Supported by Scripture

Seek God for wisdom

James 1:5; Proverbs 3:5–6

Confront sin with grace

Galatians 6:1; Ephesians 4:15

Allow room for repentance

Luke 17:3–4; 1 Corinthians 13:7

Forgive, even if trust is broken

Matthew 6:14–15; Colossians 3:13

Consider biblical separation/divorce

Matthew 19:9

Involve spiritual and wise counsel

Proverbs 11:14

Ensure personal and family safety

Psalm 82:4

Pursue healing in Christ

Isaiah 61:3; Psalm 147:3



# **SPIRITUAL LEADER OF THE HOME**

- **A spiritual leader works to maintain peace, unity, and emotional safety in the home.**
- **He doesn't provoke, intimidate, or neglect.**

- **Servant Leader like Christ (John 13:13–15)**
- **Loving Husband (Ephesians 5:25)**
- **Teacher of Truth (Deuteronomy 6:6–7)**
- **Prayer Warrior (James 5:16)**
- **Humble and Accountable (1 Corinthians 11:3)**
- **Example in Righteousness (Proverbs 20:7)**

- **To be the spiritual head of the home, a man must understand and fulfill his God-given leadership role with humility, love, spiritual maturity, and responsibility.**
- **This role is not about domination but about servant leadership—leading by example as Christ leads the Church.**

# Generational Battles

- What patterns must be broken? (Exodus 34:7, Galatians 3:13)

