



SAVE THE DATE! PART 2:3 QUALITIES YOU NEED BEFORE MARRIAGE

You can't marry the right person if you're dating the wrong one.

You don't attract what you want; you attract what you are.

**Become the type of person
the person you're looking for is looking for.**

—Andy Stanley

Being married is not our purpose in life.

*I wish that all of you were as I am. But each of you has your own gift from God; one has this gift, another has that. 8 Now to the unmarried and the widows I say: It is good for them to stay unmarried, as I do.
- 1 Corinthians 7:7-8 NIV*

I am saying this for your own good, not to restrict you, but that you may live in a right way in undivided devotion to the Lord. - 1 Corinthians 7:35 NIV

Our purpose in life is to live with undivided devotion to Jesus.

3 Qualities You Need Before Marriage:

1. Secure in Christ

If you want to end up married and happy, start single and secure.

Insecure people need more and settle for less.

For in Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body. 10 So you also are complete through your union with Christ... - Colossians 2:9-10 NLT

Secure people need less and expect more.

2. Strong in Character

You don't build a life of righteousness on a foundation of sin.

... set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. - 1 Timothy 4:12 NIV

3. Planted in Community

The strength of your community will shape the quality of your marriage.

Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm. - Proverbs 13:20 NIV

Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together. - Psalm 34:3 NIV

TALK IT OVER

- Read 1 Corinthians 7:35. Have you ever placed too much importance on your relationship status? What kind of impact did that have on your life?
 - Our relationships get stronger when we're secure in Christ, strong in character, and planted in community. Which one of these qualities would you like to develop?
- Our purpose in life is to live with undivided devotion to Jesus. What's one way you could focus on Christ this week?

Suggested Reading Plan: [Who Am I?](#)

Announcements:

- **Sunday Service @ 10 AM.** Visit newlife-saugerties.org for our location and livestream link. Nursery is available for children up to age 4, and KidZone is available for ages 5-11. Find sermon notes, suggested Bible reading plan, prayer request form, and connection card under "Events" on the [YouVersion Bible App](#).
- **Girl's Ministry** Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30 PM! See Sharee Haromontelongo for more info.
- **Finish Line Youth** Fridays from 7 to 8:30 PM! See Pastor James for more info.
- **Missions Focus:**
 - Offerings will be received throughout November to help **the DeMartinos, missionaries to Mexico**, purchase a facility to serve the hungry and the homeless in Guadalajara. Please be sure to write "DeMartino" on your envelope or in the memo of your check.
- **Christmas Services**
 - New Life presents **A Not So Silent Night** Sunday December 18 @ 10 AM.
 - **Carols Service** Saturday December 24 @ 10 AM.
 - **No services on December 25, Christmas Day!**