

Wisdom and Pursuing Marriage

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INTRODUCTION:

Biblical principles for loving God in the various stages of a romantic relationship:

1. Navigating the desire for marriage

- A. Be thankful in all things**
- B. Singleness is not a problem to be solved**
- C. A desire for marriage is not something to be ignored**
- D. Fix your primary attention to being who God has called you to be**
- E. Train yourself to value what God values in a spouse**

2. Entering into a relationship

- A. Embrace God given roles as able**
- B. Be near WISE counsel**
- C. Give careful consideration to what serves the other person best**

3. Conduct within a relationship

- A. Keep love for God and love for each other at the forefront**
- B. Be near WISE counsel**
- C. Embrace God's will for your life**
- D. Get as far away from what is questionable**
- E. Get as close as possible to what is good**

4. Determining the next step

- A. Be near WISE counsel**
- B. Am I spiritually in a place to enhance another pursuit of the Lord and diligently embrace God's instruction for me in this relationship?**
- C. Is the potential spouse faithfully practicing the biblical instruction regarding marriage roles?**