

CHRISTIAN GROWTH COURSE - STUDY QUESTIONS ON PICKING A MATE

Student Name:

1. What are to be the guiding principles in every life choice including whom we marry?

1 Corinthians 10:31

Matthew 22:37, 38

Matthew 6:33

2. What should a person do for a period of time before deciding whether to marry a person? James 1:5.

3. Because of prayer, God guided the way to the right wife for .
Genesis 24.

4. What sign did Abraham's servant ask for to indicate the right girl?
Genesis 24:12-27.

5. What principle for Christian living does Paul give which would affect one's choice of a mate? 2 Corinthians 6:14.

6. What did God forbid the Israelites to do, and why? Deuteronomy 7:1-4.

7. Name two great Old Testament men of God who did not want their children to marry the unbelieving, pagan Canaanites. Genesis 24:1-4; 28:1-3.

8. Paul wrote that if a widow remarried, she was to marry whom? 1 Corinthians 7:39.

9. If the apostle Paul or the other apostles married, their wives would be . 1 Corinthians 9:5.

10. The way to avoid falling in love with and wanting to marry an unbeliever is not to date an .

11. What is not to be a Christian's motivation for choosing a certain person as a mate? 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8.

12. Who is not free to be married to you, according to Jesus' teaching?
Matthew 5:31, 32; 19:9; Mark 10:11, 12; 1 Corinthians 7:10, 11.

13. You can tell much about what kind of future mate a person will be by whether he or she does the following things while single:

Ephesians 6:1

Matthew 6:33

1 Thessalonians 4:4, 5

1 Peter 3:3, 4

1 Corinthians 14:40; Ecclesiastes 9:10

Proverbs 16:32

14. It may be good for some people to delay marriage at least for a while in order to have what advantage? 1 Corinthians 7:32-35.

15. When a person can't wait until marriage to have sex or take sexual liberties with you, this indicates that he or she is likely to have what negative character traits when married?

16. If a person is not motivated enough to change wrong beliefs or behaviors during the excitement and good will of courtship, is he or she going to be willing to change later after marriage, when feelings are not as strong?

17. Do you think that having as many things in common as possible will increase or decrease the chances for a happy, agreeable marriage?

18. Name some problems you can think of which would come from marrying a person of a different religious faith or church.

19. How would a courtship and engagement period of reasonable length help in choosing the right mate for a good marriage?

20. Name some behaviors during courtship which you can think of which would

