

Pre-Martial Counseling, Session Two



I. Review

- A) What have you talked about since we last met?
- B) Any old business that we need to discuss?
- C) Discuss Spiritual Goals
- D) Discuss Marriage Success Index

II. Family, Home, Background

A) Describe:

- 1) Your home and family
- 2) Your house
- 3) Where you live
- 4) What your parents do or did.

- B) Has you family moved around or have they stayed in the same place?

- C) What is the financial status of your present home?
- D) What type of relationship do you have with your brothers and sisters?
- E) How did (do) your parents handle disagreements?
- G) What is your relationship to your:
 - 1) Father?
 - 2) Mother?

III. Homework

A) Bible Teaching on Marriage

- 1) Responsibilities.
 - a. Role (Ephesians 5:21-33)
 - b. Sexual (I Corinthians 7:1-5)
- 2) Marriage and Divorce (Matthew 5:31-32; 19:1-12)

B) Work on Family Goals

C) Write a personality Description of your:

Bride – Mother

Groom – Father

D) Shopping

- 1) What would you like to take from you previous home to your new home?
- 2) What do you want to leave or get rid of?

E) Four Questions

F) Wedding Ceremony

- 1) What would you like included?
- 2) Who will write your vows?
- 3) What special things would you like in your rehearsal dinner, ceremony, and reception?

Family Goals

The main goal in this area of my life is _____

In order to reach this goal, I am setting the following objectives:

Year 1, _____

Year 5, _____

Year 10, _____

Year 25, _____

Year 50 , _____

The Scripture says, "So a man will leave his father and mother and be united with his wife, and the two will become one body." That secret is very important--I am talking about Christ and the church. But each one of you must love his wife as he loves himself, and a wife must respect her husband. Children, obey your parents as the Lord wants, because this is the right thing to do. The command says, "Honor your father and mother." This is the first command that has a promise with it-- "Then everything will be well with you, and you will have a long life on the earth." Fathers, do not make your children angry, but raise them with the training and teaching of the Lord.

(Ephesians 5:31-6:4)

Four Questions

1. Write 12-15 reasons why you want to marry this person?

2. What are you bringing to this marriage that will make it work?

3. What roles and responsibilities will you have in this marriage, and what roles will you fiancé have?

4. What will you get out of this marriage that you wouldn't have gotten if you had remained single?