

Marriage Notes

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GOOD MARRIAGE ADVICE

Take time for each other. Your marriage is worth it.

Strive for a daily personal relationship with the Lord. It will make the relationship between the two of you sweeter.

Never take each other for granted, and never gain a laugh in public at the other's expense.

Be blind to each other's faults. Everybody has them.

Never sleep on your anger. Talk it out—and talk about everything else too. Good communication is the secret to a good marriage.

Be openly (but respectfully) affectionate even in public. The world should know that you are satisfied at home.

Learn each other. Wonderful treasures are hidden in your mate if you will take the time to find them.

Sex is not a dirty word. It is a great gift from God, and the Bible says that the bed is undefiled (undirtiable). God intends for you to enjoy each other physically.

Remember special occasions.

Have a sense of humor. You're going to need it.

Always be open and honest with each other. It builds trust, and trust builds good relationships.

Have just-between-the-two-of-you secrets (words, signals, codes, looks).
It takes the dullness out of everyday living.

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THINGS FOR THE HUSBAND TO REMEMBER

Love your wife and let her know it.

**Be gentle in all of your dealings with your wife—
never harsh or abusive.**

Assume your place of leadership in the home. Lead in family devotions, in saying grace, and in church attendance.

Never brag excessively about another lady.

Always keep appointments with your wife.

Come home from work at the time expected. If this is not possible, be sure to call as soon as you can.

Hold your relationship with your wife very sacred. Do not reveal it to others. Let her know it is a very precious thing to you.

Eat out with your wife at least once a week.

Have fun together. It has been said that couples who pray together, stay together. It is also true that couples who play together, stay together.

Be as pleasant as possible at home.

Enjoy the commonplace things of life with each other.

Be sure that your wife is happy with your love life.

Help her with household chores. *(No man has ever been shot while pushing a vacuum cleaner, making a bed, or washing dishes.)*

THINGS FOR THE WIFE TO REMEMBER

Remember that the purpose for woman's creation was to be a wife.

**If you are more efficient than he is,
be careful to show him that you need him.**

Keep the home atmosphere as pleasant as possible.

Be interested in his activities. Learn to have fun together.

Dress as he wants you to dress, but be modest. Be beautiful and appealing.

Encourage your husband to take the lead spiritually in your home.

Love your husband and let him know it.

Be supportive. Remember that your role is one of a help meet.

Don't be preoccupied with chores or thoughts of chores when you are with your husband.

Arrange to eat privately with your husband often. This can be done in a restaurant, at a drive-in fast food place, or even at a picnic table in the park.

Stay together on discipline of children.

Read a good book on the home by a Christian author. Read a sensible book on marriage by a Christian doctor.

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