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Is He Marriage Material? Essential Qualities of a Christian Husband by Angie Lewis



Appearances mean a lot for people today. And sadly this is the main reason for rising divorce statistics. We're so captivated by good looks, clothing and how it is worn, nice sounding words, and fancy cars that we completely sidestep character traits of a person. Sometimes we are so enthralled by the way someone looks, we don't seem to care if that person is honest, self-controlled, or considerate. But if we want to have a happy marriage we should get to know a person starting from the inside and then working ourselves out. What should we look for when pursuing husband material?

Good Relationship with Parents?

If a man has a good relationship with his parents then the general rule is he will have a good relationship with his wife. Childhood is an emotional growing experience and teaches us how to treat others, especially those we live with such as our parents. Childhood teaches us to obey and respect our parents, and it teaches us that we will not always get our way, and that sometimes we will have to give in for the sake of peace and harmony. All of these things are good character traits that are brought into marriage.

Therefore a man that is respectful, thoughtful and considerate of his mom and dad will also be that way with the woman he marries. If he respected his dad's influence in him when he was living at home he is more apt to respect the authority of and direction of God leading his life when he is older. Which brings me to the next good quality to look for in a potential husband.

Good Relationship with God?

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Understand that you will not know if a man has a good relationship with God by what you see or by what you hear him say. People can appear to be anything that you want, at least for a time, eventually true character does come out. Going to church, wearing a cross, or praying out loud does not necessarily signify that a man has a good relationship with God. These are all things that can be done for appearances sake. Wait and be patient. If a man has a good relationship with Christ you will see Godly qualities shine in his behavior.

These qualities manifest themselves in people who have the Spirit of Christ living within them. The Holy Spirit helps us become men and women of God through the fruit of the Spirit. Some of these wonderful qualities to look for in a husband are gentleness, goodness, meekness, temperance, self-control and Christ-based love.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such things there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. Galatians 5:22-26)

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