

## Ladies: Are You Marriage Ready? (Quiz)

It goes without saying: You want to be married. You've prayed about it, and you've believed God for it. You've walked the celibate walk, and you've turned many men away who were obviously not the right man. You've sown the necessary seeds, and now, you're ready to reap. But don't go to the field and try to reap just yet. You may find quite a few men there who look to be ready; nevertheless, they aren't God's pick for you. Just because a man is Christian and he meets your standards doesn't mean he's the man God has chosen for you. He may be another woman's soon-to-be husband, and as such, his marriage to you would be a lot rockier than the both of you have anticipated. Additionally, most women believe themselves to be ready for marriage, when they are not. This kind of thinking delays their wedding dates because they stop preparing to be wives, and start positioning themselves to be found. Imagine if a cake baker was to put a half baked cake up for sale. If it looked to be ready, but was found to be doughy, it would undoubtedly be discarded and the consumer would demand a refund. How can you tell if you are wife-ready? Please answer the eleven multiple choice questions below, making sure to jot down your answers. Do not cheat yourself of the truth by trying to answer the questions the way you believe they should be answered. Answer them truthfully. That way, you will get a clearer answer as to whether or not you are ready. After you've finished answering the questions, grade yourself using the provided scoring board below. Again, answer the questions truthfully. Oftentimes when people take multiple choice exams, they try to answer each question with the answer that seems most logical, but with this exam, you should answer with whatever is truth for you.

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**3. You meet the man who's married, but he's going through a divorce. He's all that you've ever hoped and dreamed for, and he makes it clear that his intentions for you are long term. What would you do?**

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**5. Your best friend has just gotten married, and now, she's distanced herself from you quite a bit. What would you do?**

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- c. I'd stop calling her, but I wouldn't bother her or her husband. It's obvious that the friendship is over.
- d. I'd start flirting with her husband or ask someone else to test him. She needs to see the scum she has, so she'd learn not to burn her bridges.
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**10. You've been dating a guy for over a year now, and he wants you to move in with him. Your relationship has been great so far, but it's clear that he doesn't want to get married or he's just not ready for marriage yet. What would you do?**

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**11. You've been waiting for a long time for Mr. Right to show up. What do you do in the meantime?**

- a. I'd get busy in my purpose, and I wouldn't focus on being found. My focus is on God, and when Mr. Right finds me, he will find me busy and collected.
- b. I'd go to many women's conferences, buy a lot books on single living and I'd just try to learn how to be found by him.
- c. I wouldn't do anything. I'd just go on with life as usual. When he finds me, he finds me.
- d. I'd get dressed up and go out looking for him. How is he supposed to find me if I'm in the house?
- e. I'd just date in the meantime. Maybe one of my dates will turn out to be Mr. Right.

Now, you're going to tally up your numbers. Every right answer is worth 50 points. A few of the answers are sufficient; therefore, you'd get 30 points for them. Every other answer is worth zero points, since with the Lord, there is only right and wrong. Please note that this is just an assessment, and in no way should be viewed as a diagnostic report for your love life. As with all things, take your situation to God in prayer. If you score low, simply work on those areas that need to be worked on so you'll be found by your husband a lot faster. Let's review the questions and answers to refresh our memories and see if you scored or not.

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The correct answer is D. Our flesh attempts to reason with our spirit as to why we should accept a man who fits into our own warped understandings of what a good man is, what a good man is not, or what a good man could be. Even choosing the Christian man is wrong because every Christian man is not and cannot be your husband. There's only one man who God will give that crown to. Every other man is just a well-disguised Ishmael. If you answered D, give yourself 50 points.

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The correct answer is F. Why would you kiss a man if you're not willing to go all the way? Of course, you shouldn't fornicate either, and that's the point. Why get yourselves heated up, only to invite temptation in. Additionally, inviting a man into your house is NEVER a wise move. Eventually, the two of you will deal with that giant called temptation, and not too many people get past that giant without falling. Dating and marrying are not one in the same; therefore, you have to reserve dating rights for daters, and marriage rights are only to be given to your husband. Many women remain single for decades because they practice the worldly way of courting, which often includes: a few dates, a few kisses and then a sexual relationship that eventually ends. If you're having sex, in God's eyes, you're already married, but your marriage is illegal. It is always better to reserve the first kiss for the wedding day and to never place yourself in temptation's lane. If you answered with F, give yourself 50 points.

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The correct answer is A. If a man is divorcing, he's still married, and God never agrees with adultery under any circumstances. Additionally, it is not uncommon for couples to file for divorce and reconcile before the divorce is finalized. If you place yourself in their marriage equation, you may be the very reason they end up divorcing. It's easy to steal a man's affections away when he feels unappreciated or scorned. In other words, he's on the rebound. Many women would either date him or communicate with him because they see relationships as a gamble, and they want to see if he's a good hand to play or not. If you answered A, give yourself 50 points.

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The correct answer is C. The Bible calls the man the head of the home; therefore, as the head, he has to be able to lead you. If he's not really into the Word of God, he's going to lead you, but he won't lead you in the way of the Lord. He'll lead you astray. All too often, single Christian women get so caught up in what they see and what they imagine, that they close their eyes to the truth. Sure, you could take him to church, but that doesn't mean he'd give himself wholly to God. All the same, if he were to start

going to church, he's still going to start off as a baby Christian, and you'd have to lead him. This is out of God's order, but because we have eyes to see, we often ignore the Word to entertain our eyes. Ask yourself this question about any of the beautiful men you've dated. If you were blind and had to deal only with their personalities, would they be beautiful then? Remember, you can't change a man. He has to give himself to God, and because men were designed to lead, he'd likely get visited by a haughty spirit (pride) and feel as if you're leading him. This would make him feel emasculated, and he's more likely to go further off into the world because he'd be looking for ways to prove his manhood once again. If you answered C, give yourself 50 points.

**5. Your best friend has just gotten married, and now, she's distanced herself from you quite a bit. What would you do?**

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The correct answer is E. Anytime a woman gets married, her priorities will change. Oftentimes, friendships end when marriages begin, but not because the new wife decided to end the friendship; it is oftentimes because the unmarried friend feels rejected and offended. A wife will always tend more to her husband than she would to her friends and family. After all, that's the way God designed her. She is his help meet, so her purpose and his purpose becomes one once they are married. A friend who gets angry or attempts to test or confront the husband, was never a true friend. They were friendly slave masters who feel that they've been robbed of the slaves who once served their needs. Once their friend could not perform the roles they've mentally assigned them to, they become offended and often end the friendships. Many even become contentious towards their estranged friends. If you answered with E, give yourself 50 points.

**6. How long does a man have to date you before you believe it's okay to have sex with him?**

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Obviously, the correct answer is B. Sex before marriage is called fornication, and sex while married is called adultery. Why is this important? Fornication isn't having sex with a man you're not married to, since the two shall become one when they have sex with one another. Fornication is illegally wedding

someone through the act of sex. It is to marry someone without God's permission. It is to have a marriage that does not involve God. Adultery is to have sex with another person after you've been joined to someone else, whether that be through illegal or legal sex. Contrary to what religion teaches, one can enter an adulterous relationship without ever having a marriage ceremony. A marriage ceremony is when a couple takes verbal vows, and is declared husband and wife by a minister or a judge; nevertheless, the couple is not considered married until they consummate the marriage. That's why many people go to Las Vegas, get drunk, get married, wake up the next day and head to the courthouse to annul their marriages. Even the courts don't recognize the unions as marriages until they've been consummated through sex. Anytime you have sex with a man, your soul is joined to his soul, and the two of you become one person. If the relationship ends and the two of you decide to never speak again, that man will remain your husband or one of your husbands until you repent and God divorces you. Man cannot separate a soul tie. Because you're still married, God won't send any other man to court or marry you. Instead, what He sees is an uncovered wife, an unrepentant woman who's bold enough to ask him to send another man her way. He knows what she's going to do with that man if He were to send him. At the same time, God will never send a man to cover a woman who's been uncovered by another man, and has not repented of her sins. Remember, to repent doesn't mean to apologize; it means to turn from your wicked ways and turn your heart all the way back to God. In doing so, you commit to never fornicate again. If you answered B, give yourself 50 points.

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The correct answer is B. There is no right way to do wrong, and there is no wrong way to do what's right. The Bible tells us that God hates a divorce. It didn't say that He dislikes a divorce or He'd rather you not divorce; the Bible says that God hates a divorce. For a God who is love to hate something indicates that it is not only bad, but it's life-altering for anyone who participates in it. It doesn't matter how a man's wife treats him, or whatever problem he has going on under the roof of his house, you should never implant yourself in the marriage of someone else. After all, you will never find a blessing in sin. All too often, the enemy causes many believing women to reason with themselves as to what sin is extremely bad and what sin is acceptable to God, but make no mistake about it; there is no such thing



as an acceptable sin where God is concerned. Just because it fits into your understanding, doesn't mean God will overlook it. That's why God warns us to lean not to our own understandings. Additionally, some women would say they'd talk with him only for the purpose of ministering to him, and this is a lie. Their intentions are to appear to do the right thing, and convince themselves and others that their motives are pure, but they are not. Their true intention is to insert themselves into the lives of the men they're interested in. This is nothing more than masked adultery. These women listen to the men they are allegedly ministering to, and they learn everything they need to know about the men they are religiously seducing, as well as about their wives. They then pretend to minister to those men, and this is how they convince themselves that they are doing a good deed, but deep down in their hearts, they know what their intentions are. They want to be first in line should that man follow through with divorcing his wife. If you answered with B, give yourself 50 points.

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The correct answer is A. The Bible tells us not to be unequally yoked with unbelievers. An unbeliever isn't someone who doesn't believe in God; an unbeliever is anyone who rejects Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. Many religions believe in a supreme God, but they do not believe that Christ Jesus is the Son of God. This makes them unbelievers. Now, you'll find many believers who've intermarried with other faiths, and their marriages remained intact throughout the tests of times, but it's not God's will or best for us. God clearly lets us know that there will be cases where believers are married to unbelievers, and when this happens, the believer must follow a set of rules. Their goal is now to try and win that soul for the Lord. God's will for us is that we not only marry men and women of like faith, but that we marry the man or the woman He has chosen for us individually. Oftentimes, women open themselves up to having emotional relationships with men with the intention of seeing where and how far the relationship can go. This too is dangerous since the Bible tells us to guard our hearts. It's not difficult to fall in love with an unbeliever, but it is difficult to get an unbeliever out of your heart once he or she has entered it. This causes a lot of mental warfare and heartbreak. Let God choose your husband for you; otherwise, you'll give Satan the honor of dishonoring you. If you answered with A, give yourself 50 points.

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**there, her husband informs you that she's working one hour overtime. He invites you to come in and wait for her. The drive back to your place is over an hour. What would you do?**

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- e. I'd go in and test her husband. I want to see if he's truly faithful or not. If he's not faithful, I'd tell her.
- The better answer here is D. Even though your intentions may be good, who knows what that man might do? One of the worst things that can happen to a friend caught in the middle is having to deal with her friend's flirtatious husband, and wrestling with whether she should tell her friend about her husband's advances. It is better not to put yourself in this type of situation than to try and defend yourself. Remember, don't let your good be evil spoken of. Additionally, some people would ask their friends what they should do, but please understand that this puts the friend in an awkward situation. Even if they are not comfortable with the two of you being under the same roof together, they don't want to tell you that because they'll worry that you'll become angry with them or you may judge them. You may even misjudge their situation. Because of this, many people would tell their friends to go on in the house and wait for them, all the while, they'd be at work in a stressed state. It's not that they don't necessarily trust you or your husband; the issue is, they don't want anything said that could put a dent in their marriage or their friendship with you. Even though A and C aren't extremely bad answers, they are still incorrect. B is also a decent answer, but it may inconvenience the husband; therefore, the better thing to do is excuse yourself until the spouse comes home. If you answered with D, give yourself 50 points. If you answered with B, give yourself 30 points.

**10. You've been dating a guy for over a year now, and he wants you to move in with him. Your relationship has been great so far, but it's clear that he doesn't want to get married or he's just not ready for marriage yet. What would you do?**

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I know this could be looked at as a trick question, because it is now culture in this country to fornicate and shack up; nevertheless, just because it's man's culture doesn't mean it's right. And this is where it may get confusing to some. C looks like the right answer because you stood your ground for what you

believe in, but you have to remember that any man who will sin against God will eventually sin against you. Sure, even a righteous man can be tempted in the flesh to fornicate with the woman he's seeing, but this isn't a long-term state of thinking. As a matter of fact, his conscience would wear him thin if he did fornicate or even thought of fornicating. But if a man is willing to live with you, that means he's thought it out and made a conscious decision to live in sin. This often means that the man you're seeing is an Ishmael and the relationship is doomed. Any man not sent by God will require a sin offering to continue with you. That's because, through your submission to God and your resistance of the devil, the Word tells us that the devil will flee from you. Anytime Ishmael doesn't get his sin offering, he has no choice but to retreat back to the wilderness. If you answered with E, give yourself 50 points, and if you answered with C, give yourself 30 points.

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b. I'd go to many women's conferences, buy a lot books on single living and I'd just try to learn how to be found by him.

c. I wouldn't do anything. I'd just go on with life as usual. When he finds me, he finds me.

d. I'd get dressed up and go out looking for him. How is he supposed to find me if I'm in the house?

e. I'd just date in the meantime. Maybe one of my dates will turn out to be Mr. Right.

The correct answer is A. While it's great to go to women's conferences and buy books that will help you in your wait; it is better to prepare for your husband by getting in your purpose. After all, God will never send his purposeful son to a woman who's dead-set on getting married. That's because her focus is off. Our purpose is like the beat of our hearts; it fuels us with what we need to survive. Additionally, our purpose is the very reason we have been placed in the realm of the earth. But there are many women nowadays who are like broken cameras. While they can still see the picture, they can't really zoom in on God's plan for their lives. Your husband is a part of your purpose, but he's not the heartbeat of it. When a husband and a wife come together, they not only come together in body, but they come together in purpose.

The issue today is many believing women aren't preparing to be found; they are simply looking to be found. They expect their husbands to find them in their bad or broken states, and to fix their lives, but God won't send a whole man to a broken woman because she'll only break him. A woman found in purpose is fully intact and blessed of the Lord. She won't be obsessive, overly jealous, needy, clingy or demanding. Instead, she'll be busy doing what she's designed by God to do, and if she's coupled with a man found in purpose, the couple won't fall into the snares of the enemy. Additionally, the average Christian woman dates around until she thinks she's found the right man, and this is error! God knows who your husband is; therefore, you don't have to search for him. All you have to do is prepare for him, stay busy in the Lord and keep yourself holy so God can reach you. In unholiness, you're in a whole

other zip code; one where God can speak to you, chasten you and open doors for you to escape. Asking God to bless you while in your sin is like asking someone to come and decorate the sewer you live in. C also looks like a logical answer, but not doing anything is like buying a GPS and attempting to walk to Alaska with it. You'll be taking the longer route with a device that's going to eventually lose its power since it's not plugged in. Additionally, you'd go unprepared, which means, you would more than likely not survive the journey.

If you answered with A, give yourself 50 points. If you answered with B, give yourself 30 points, and if you answered with C, give yourself 20 points.

Now, tally up your score. A perfect score is 550 points.

**500-550:** Get ready! You are in line to be found. Now, there are likely areas that need to be strengthened in your life, so I recommend that you lay those issues before the Lord and study the Word in relation to those areas to strengthen your faith. In doing so, you are pushing away any final barriers that may be keeping you from being found. Please understand that even once the coast is clear, the right season has to arrive, but at least this time, you'll be ready!

**450-490:** You're almost there. Of course, there are some areas that need special attention, but you're a lot further than the average believing woman so don't be discouraged. Pray and ask the Lord to continue readying you to be found by your husband. Ask the Lord to reveal those areas in your life that are keeping you from being found. Finally, ask the Lord to change you into the wife He's designed you to be. It won't be long before you are a wife in waiting.

**400-440:** You're growing, and this is a good thing. You're not too far away from being found, but there are still quite a few things keeping you from being found. Identify those areas, and work on those areas in the Lord. Remember, there's nothing too hard for God. You can go from being almost ready to ready in a matter of months...sometimes, even weeks, but it depends on you and your willingness to get wholly into God's will.

**300-390:** Get more into the Word of God and stop focusing on being a wife right now, because that may be the very thing distracting you from becoming one with God. Don't be discouraged. Most women would rank 300-390, but this doesn't mean they will never be a wife. This means that they have quite a bit of growing to do. Again, growing up in the realm of the spirit is not the same as growing up in the world. You could be a 300 today, and end up being a 550 within a few months, but that would mean you'd have to totally subject your mind to change, and that's not easy. Right now, it would not be a good idea for you to seek marriage unless God says otherwise. Right now, I'd encourage you to get into the Word of God more and get more into your purpose. As time goes by, you'll find yourself maturing in so many ways, and before you know it, you'll be hand-in-hand with Mr. Right and God will approve of your union...if you stay in His will.

**200-290:** Right now, you've got some thinking patterns that are a little skewed, but don't let this get you down. This simply means you are likely a babe in Christ, and because of this, you're too young to get married. If you were to marry now, you'd likely marry the wrong man, and you wouldn't have the necessary tools to get you through that marriage. Even if a spiritually mature woman was to marry the wrong man, she'd endure a lot of spiritual warfare because of him. But with you being young right now, that kind of spiritual warfare would probably prove to be too much for you. I know it looks easy from the outside, but once you get on the battlefield, you would find that warfare is never something that can be balanced on one hand while you drink your morning cup of coffee. Warfare often requires your undivided attention and can be very consuming. Go before the altar of God and ask Him to change you for Himself, not for a man right now. Your relationship has to be very grounded in God before you get married; otherwise, it won't take much to cross your limits.

**0-190:** Women's conferences are a great idea for you, but I believe you need to concentrate on your marriage with God right now. As God grows you up in Him, you will find that your mind will continue to change. You may find yourself disagreeing with this test today, but once God starts working more on you, you will find yourself understanding the ways and thoughts of a wife. Don't be down on yourself. Look at this time as golden time for you to get to know the Lord a little better. Additionally, you can still prepare to be a wife right now. If you have asked and believed God for it, He will bless you with your husband, but you have to position yourself in His will so He can feed you the Bread of Life, and grow you up in His Word.

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