

# WHEN YOU DISCOVER YOU ARE IN A WRONG RELATIONSHIP

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Everybody seeking a relationship hopes to find the right partner and end in a wonderful marriage. No one desires to be in a relationship with the wrong person. So when attracted to a person of the opposite sex, you have to be sure he or she is the right person for you. Unfortunately, many do not allow reason to prevail in the choice of a partner. Many allow their emotions and lusts to drive their lives, and so they make the wrong decisions and fall in love with the wrong people only to be heartbroken, disappointed, frustrated and sometimes confused about what to do with their lives.

Many times, so many young people find themselves in wrong relationships and do not know what to do. Some just try to keep the relationship going at great cost and pain though they know it will not work. Some for guilt will not walk out of a wrong relationship. And some because their partners have invested in their lives so much, they think they owe them and it will be ingratitude on their part to walk out of their relationship with these persons. Some, for fear of not being able to find another person on time just try to bear and keep the relationship they are convinced is heading nowhere.

Time is expensive and should not be wasted pursuing a relationship that will not work. The heart of man is too delicate that it should not be played with or manipulated to believe a lie that will eventually be proven to be a lie. Why waste your time pursuing a life that you know deep within you will not work or last? True love is not building on a lie but on truth. How long can you bear the pain that you feel continually in your heart as a result of the wrong happenings in your relationship? How long will you take that beating from your male friend? If he can beat you up now you are not married, what do you think will happen when you get married? That he has spent so much money on you or sponsored your education or helped you financially does not mean you will have to remain his punching bag all your life. The constant quarrels you have been having in your relationship could be a sign that two of you are not compatible and cannot leave in peace together. The experience you are having now that seems impossible to go away despite all your effort could be an indication that the relationship you are involved in will not lead to a successful marriage.

The question now is what do you do when you find yourself in a wrong relationship? If you are convinced or the events and experiences of your relationship convince you that you are in a wrong relationship, you have to do the following to get out of it and be free.

## **1. Choose between bondage and freedom.**

Do you want a life of bondage and pain or a life of freedom and happiness? It is a choice that only you can make. And once made, you have to abide by it. For your decision determines whether you will walk away or stay in that ugly relationship. To remain in a relationship that has brought you a lot of pain and frustration is to sign for bondage. Walking out to find a more compatible partner is freedom. Choose your destiny.

## **2. Define reason for relationship. Is it for happiness or for sadness and pain?**

What is your reason for relationship? Is it for happiness or for pain? Is it for peace or for war? It is important that you define this at this point. For this will determine whether you stay in this unpleasant relationship or walk out of it. If it is for peace and happiness, and you are not getting it in your present relationship, then you have to quit and believe God for another relationship that will fulfill your desire.

**3. Be convinced that if it is not working, it will not work.**

A dog will always remain a dog. A monkey in Nigeria when it goes to London will still remain a monkey. A violent man will always remain one, single or married, except God performs a miracle of change in his life. Same thing goes for people of other character. If your relationship is not working now despite your efforts, then you have no hope of it working in the future. And if it is not going to work in the future, why continue in it?

**4. Make a decision. It is not tears that is required, but a firm decision.**

Crying about what has been happening to you will not help matters. Crying about the investment of time and love you have made is not what you need. Crying about what you think you will be losing if you end the relationship is not what you need. What you need right now is a decision not tears. Make the decision to end your misery and breathe new life. Make the decision to end your pain and experience happiness.

**5. Break it up and move on with your life.**

Walk out now and don't look back. The door is open and do not let anything or any memory stop you from going. Don't drag your feet about this, take the action and move on.

**6. Do not allow guilt to build up in you or torment you.**

Never feel guilty for leaving. Never feel guilty for wanting a better life. Do not allow the help rendered to you by your Ex to make you guilty. That he or she helped you does not mean you will have to be sad all your life or be a prisoner or slave for life. Deciding to be free to regain yourself and seeking happiness is not a crime in the present circumstance.

**7. Look ahead with hope and faith for a new and better relationship that will end in a blissful marriage.**

See the future now. Look ahead with expectation. Believe that there will be another person for you somewhere and somehow. If this one didn't walk out, another will. There is always someone who will fit into your kind of person. Blissful marriage is possible, but with the right person. You need to find that person. Believe that God will connect you to that right person that you will be compatible with.

**8. Pray that God will heal your hurts and pains.**

Make sure you are completely healed before going into another relationship. A hurting person should not go into a new relationship without healing first. It takes time for complete healing to take place. Allow yourself to heal first, and then you will be ready for a new relationship.

**9. Walk by faith and not by sight.**

Keep your eyes on the Lord and His word. God is faithful to all who look up to Him in trust. As you trust Him, you will be healed by Him. He will give you the right person without fail. But if

you decide to go your way and search for yourself without His help, He will sit back and allow you to do your thing, and whatever the result of your personal effort without Him, you cannot blame anyone for it. If you break that bitter relationship now, believe that God will help you make decisions that will result in a happy relationship that will end up in a blissful marriage.

**10. Forget the former things and do not dwell on the past.**

Do not allow your past relationship to haunt you. Do not compare your Ex with your new friend. It is not a wise thing to compare the scripture says. Do not be afraid to love, for your love will not be taken advantage of as in the past. Do not become wicked or live a closed life because of the experience of your past relationship. Keep the past in your past and give your new friend a chance to prove what he or she has to offer. Look ahead in hope of a better life with God's help. Never let your past become your prison, but let it be a launching pad for a better and happy relationship.