WISDOM FOR MAKING A WISE CHOICE OF A LIFE PARTNER

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1. Who to marry is not the most important thing to a single, but preparation to be marriageable. Make yourself ready by getting close to God and allowing Him to work on you and perfect your person.

2. A strong relationship with God will help build and perfect your person to be a good spouse to someone. If you are not polished, you will mess up your relationship, even if it is with an angel. As long as Jesus Christ is Lord of your life and reigning supreme in your life, you will succeed in your relationship. Let the word of God purge, clean you up and perfect your character. Let God renew your mind with his word and give you a new mindset that will guarantee success in any and every relationship.

3. Anyone who is comfortable and more comfortable in the presence of sinners, those who speak against Ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the work of God, (the rebellious) is not fit for you to marry.

4. Anyone you are in relationship with or drawing close to you, and is always showing signs of boredom with spiritual things like studying the word of God, Praying, fasting and evangelism either by words or action is not totally converted. You will have problem with such.

5. Any man or woman who claims to be born again, but wants to caress and even have sex with you before marriage is not a converted Christian. You will have problem with that person if you marry him or her.

6. Beauty is not all you need in a woman, and money is not all you need from a man.

7. Take your time to look for the person you want or you will spend the rest of your life weeping over your poor decision.

8. Wealth brings many friends. Be sure the one that seeks a relationship with you is actually interested in you and not your money.

9. You can’t love, without being emotional. But not all emotion is born out of true love. It may be lust. Check it out. What is in your heart or your friend’s heart, is it love or lust? Lust wants sex before marriage or outside of marriage, while true love will wait till the marriage is done before sex happens.

10. Feelings are manifestations of the interpretations of the mind based on information fed it by the five physical senses.....Your feeling for that person that you are crazy for may be based on wrong information and assumptions. It will be fatal to build your life on such.
11. If you hurry into marriage, you will hurry out of it.

12. You are designed not to be alone.....You need people to be happy......Life is incomplete and boring without people around you......You are designed for connection......Aloneness creates vulnerability.

13. If you marry for sex, you will not be prepared for the responsibilities of marriage.

14. A wayward man or woman will be a wayward husband or wife. To marry someone you know has not repented of his or her immoral life is foolishness. You will have no right to complain that he or she is unfaithful to you since you knew that has been his or her manner of life. Wait till he or she has fully changed before engaging him or her in marriage.

15. If you marry someone out of pity or someone marries you out of pity, you will soon pity yourself.

16. A man without vision has no focus in life. He has nothing driving him on in life. It is important that you marry a man with vision, because a man with vision has direction in his life – he knows where he is going. To marry a man who does not know where he is going or is going nowhere, is suicide.

17. Life is more than ‘I love you’. The experiences of life affect love. It can make it grow, and it can make it die. It is therefore important people planning to get married should look at the future before making a final decision for or against marrying a particular person.

18. It is therefore wise for a lady to look out for a caring man who will make a good husband. Unfortunately, ladies mistake buying gifts to mean caring. I do agree that if you care for someone you will buy the person gifts, but you must also understand that someone can buy you a gift without caring for you. Caring goes beyond gifts. How much time is the person willing to give to you? In the case of illness and unpleasant experiences, will he be willing to share his time with you and be there when you need him? There are many questions you need to ask to find out how much love he has for you. Look out for a caring man. As you relate, keep your eyes open.

19. It is possible to enter into a marriage covenant without actually loving the person you are marrying. It is also essential that you know that a marriage covenant is legal and binding whether you married out of love or coercion or pressured by parents, family or running from unpleasant circumstances. Every marriage covenant is legal and binding. So, you don't get married when you don't mean to stay in the marriage.

20. Those who don’t mix up will not be discovered. Living where you will not be seen or meet the right people is not helpful to you.
21. Where you are determines who sees you, and who sees you determines what comes to you.

22. Always remember, people see and read you before they get to meet you to know you.

23. No man will like to enter into a relationship with a woman he is not attracted to.

24. Love will attract someone to you, but it is your character that will determine success or failure of the relationship.

Beware of saying, “Yes, I do” to any person that is not willing to open up about his/her past. It is a sign he/she has some skeleton in his/her cupboard that could resurrect and haunt your relationship in future. Sincerity demands that all in a relationship open up and be free to share about their life so far lived. Not to open up reveals:

- Secrecy which is dangerous to the survival of a loving relationship.
- You can never know what is in the person’s mind.
- Cannot be trusted for you never know when the person is telling the truth.
- A scary past which you never know what it is and how it can and may affect the person in future. This creates fear of the unknown which is not good for a relationship.
- You never know what to expect and what the person is capable of doing.