# Wisdom for Choosing a Spouse



Discover God's guidance on selecting a life partner rooted in wisdom, love, and faith through Scripture and reflection.





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#### Introduction

**Choosing a spouse** is one of the most significant and life-altering decisions we make. It impacts our emotional, spiritual, and practical lives deeply. In this 3-day study, we will explore what the *Bible* teaches about selecting a life partner with wisdom, allowing God's Word to guide our hearts and choices.

Wisdom, as portrayed in Scripture, is more than just knowledge; it's the application of Godly principles to daily living, especially in relationships that shape our futures. When choosing a spouse, God's wisdom calls us to look beyond superficial qualities or fleeting emotions and consider character, faithfulness, and shared devotion to God.

This journey is both practical and deeply spiritual. You'll see how God values purity, patience, and understanding in relationships, asking us to seek partnerships that honor Him and promote mutual growth. Through prayer, reflection, and Scripture, you will be equipped to make decisions grounded in wise discernment rather than worldly standards.

As you engage with this study, may your heart be open to God's voice, helping you to recognize the qualities in a partner that align with His purpose. Remember, wisdom begins with reverence for the Lord (Proverbs 9:10), and as you embark on this exploration, invite God's Spirit to enlighten your path and decision-making.







# Day 1: Seeking God's Wisdom in Relationships









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#### Your Verse

James 1:5 - "If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Proverbs 3:5-6 "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."
- Psalm 32:8 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you."







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#### Devotional: God's Promise to Provide Wisdom

Choosing a spouse begins with seeking wisdom. The Apostle James encourages us to ask God for wisdom, promising that He gives generously without reproach. This assurance brings comfort especially when decisions feel overwhelming. God is a loving Father who desires to guide us on the right path.

Often in relationships, emotions can cloud our judgment. We might be tempted to rely on personal feelings or popular culture standards, but God invites us to lean into His divine understanding. Proverbs reminds us to trust the Lord wholeheartedly—not on our own insight—and to submit to His will. When we do this, He promises to "make our paths straight," giving clarity in complex choices.

Before seeking a spouse, pray for wisdom. Ask God to reveal what is best, to protect you from harm, and to align your heart with His desires. Psalm 32 reminds us that God instructs and lovingly watches over us. Trust that same care in your pursuit of a life partner. This foundation of seeking God first will set the tone for a relationship rooted in faith and divine purpose.







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# Reflect and Apply

1.	How do you currently seek God's guidance before making major decisions?
2.	What emotions or pressures could cloud your judgment when choosing a spouse?
3.	In what areas of your life do you need to trust God more fully?
4.	How can asking God for wisdom change your approach to relationships?







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# **Journaling Prompts**

	Describe a moment when God's wisdom helped you in a difficult decision.
	Write about qualities you hope to see in a spouse that reflect God's wisdom.
3.	List ways you can cultivate a deeper trust in God as you seek a life partner







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### Prayer for Today

Dear Heavenly Father, thank You for Your unfailing promise to give wisdom to those who ask. As I begin this journey of seeking a spouse, I pray for Your guidance and clarity. Help me to trust in You completely and to listen carefully for Your voice above all others. Guard my heart from impulsive decisions or worldly pressures. Teach me to look for qualities that reflect Your character and to honor You in every step. May Your peace fill my heart as I surrender this process into Your hands.

In Jesus' name, Amen. 🙏 🔲 🖓 💙















#### Your Verse

2 Corinthians 6:14 - "Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common?"

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Proverbs 31:30 "Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised."
- Ephesians 5:25 "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her."







#### Devotional: Prioritizing Godly Character and Faith

Choosing a spouse means choosing someone who shares your faith and values. Paul's counsel in 2 Corinthians reminds believers not to be 'unequally yoked' with unbelievers. Spiritual unity forms a critical foundation for a lasting, harmonious relationship because mismatched beliefs often lead to conflict and distance.

Proverbs 31 highlights the importance of a partner who fears the Lord. Unlike temporary charm or physical attractiveness, godly character and reverence for God endure and deeply impact marriage. When your spouse desires to walk with the Lord, it cultivates an environment where love, respect, and mutual growth flourish.

For men and women alike, Scripture models love as sacrificial and intentional. Ephesians calls husbands to love their wives as Christ loves the church, offering a picture of selflessness and devotion. Looking for these traits in a partner, or striving to embody them yourself, aligns your relationship with God's perfect design.

As you reflect, consider if the person you desire shares your commitment to Christ and demonstrates godly character. Prioritizing this will protect your union and nurture a spiritually vibrant marriage.







# Reflect and Apply

What does it mean to be 'unequally yoked,' and how might this affect a relationship?
How do character and faith influence the health and longevity of a marriage?
In what ways can you grow in your own faith and character to prepare for a spouse?









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# **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about times when shared faith brought you comfort or strength.
2.	List character traits that reveal a person's relationship with God.
3.	Reflect on how you can embody sacrificial love in your relationships now







### Prayer for Today

Lord God, thank You for teaching us the value of spiritual unity and godly character. Help me to discern Your will in choosing a spouse who fears and honors You. May my heart be aligned with Your truths as I seek a partner, and may I cultivate the qualities that reflect Christ's love. Protect me from settling for less than Your best. Strengthen my faith and prepare me for a relationship that glorifies You.

In Jesus' precious name, Amen. 🚺 🙏 💙 🔲















#### Your Verse

Psalm 27:14 – "Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Ecclesiastes 3:1 "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens."
- Proverbs 19:20 "Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among the wise."







# Devotional: Embracing Patience and Trust in God's Timing

Waiting for the right spouse requires patience and trust in God's perfect timing. Psalm 27 encourages us to be strong and courageous as we wait on the Lord. It's natural in our fast-paced world to desire quick answers or shortcuts, but God's timing is always best.

Ecclesiastes reminds us that every season has its purpose. Even the waiting period is a time for growth, learning, and preparing our hearts. It is an opportunity to develop wisdom, deepen faith, and gain clarity about what we truly need in a partner.

Proverbs emphasizes the importance of listening and accepting wise counsel. Sometimes impatience leads us to ignore godly advice or rush into relationships that aren't right. Instead, embrace guidance from mature believers, and allow God's peace to guard your heart during the wait.

Trust that God is working behind the scenes — shaping your character, preparing your future spouse, and orchestrating circumstances to bring about the best outcome. Your commitment to prayer, patience, and discernment honors God and lays a strong foundation for a fruitful relationship.







# Reflect and Apply

1.	1. How do you typically handle waiting seasons in your life?		
2.	What fears or frustrations arise when waiting for God's timing in relationships?		
3.	Who can you seek out for godly advice and support during this process?		
4.	How might God use this period of waiting to prepare you and your future spouse?		







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### Prayer for Today

Gracious Father, thank You for Your perfect timing and faithful love. Help me to wait patiently for the spouse You have prepared for me. Strengthen my heart when I feel discouraged and teach me to trust Your plan wholeheartedly. Surround me with wise counsel and fill me with peace as I wait. May this time of preparation refine me and draw me closer to You.

In Jesus' name, Amen. 😂 🙏 🔀 👽







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