

THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN BIBLE COLLEGE
EXAMINATION: MARRIAGE COUNSELLING

1. According to Genesis 2:18, why did God institute marriage?
a) For procreation only b) For companionship c) For labor purposes
d) For fun
2. From the Christian perspective, the ultimate goal of marriage is:
a) Pleasure b) Wealth c) Fulfillment of God's purpose
d) Social relevance
3. Which of the following is NOT a principal reason for marriage according to the manual?
a) Companionship b) Personal independence c) Procreation
d) Mutual support
4. What does the manual describe as a major fallacy of marriage?
a) It's only for old people b) It's primarily for fun c) It's a casual relationship
d) It's strictly for believers
5. According to the manual, making marriage an extended courtship leads to:
a) Stronger bonds b) Greater love c) Unrealistic expectations
d) Spiritual unity
6. One common fallacy discussed is that some people see marriage as:
a) A vacation b) A necessary evil c) An engagement
d) A career move
7. Which of the following is a key sign-post of maturity for marriage?
a) Age above 30 b) Feelings of loneliness c) Strong sex drive
d) Ability to manage responsibilities
8. According to Ecclesiastes 4:10, a reason for marriage is:
a) To have fun b) To avoid trouble c) To help one another up
d) To fulfill tradition
9. Sexual desire alone is not a sign of readiness for marriage because:
a) It fades away b) It leads to sin
c) It can exist without emotional maturity d) It is not biblical
10. Which of these is recommended for someone struggling with loneliness?
a) Marriage b) Isolation c) Praying and singing
d) Sexual experimentation
11. One sign of maturity mentioned is:
a) Ability to drive b) Owning a house
c) Handling spiritual and socio-physical responsibility d) Getting baptised

12. The number one condition for knowing God's will is:

- a) Obedience b) Prayer c) New birth d) Fasting

13. Knowing God's will involves:

- a) Parental pressure b) Spiritual sensitivity c) Age consideration
d) Wealth and beauty

14. Which of the following is NOT a recommended method for discovering God's will in marriage?

- a) Prophecy b) Dreams and visions c) Physical appearance
d) Word of knowledge

15. Spiritual consideration includes all EXCEPT:

- a) Fasting b) Bible reading c) Physical intimacy d) Inner peace

16. The gift of prophecy in discovering God's will in marriage is best understood as:

- a) Guesswork b) Random prediction c) Inspired utterance from God
d) Family influence

17. The "inner voice of the Spirit" as a means to know God's will is supported by:

- a) Proverbs 31:10 b) John 16:13 c) 1 Corinthians 10:12 d) Romans 12:2

18. Economic consideration in choosing a partner is important because:

- a) Marriage is about money b) God requires all to be rich
c) Financial stability affects marriage success d) Poor people can't get married

19. According to the manual, which aspect should not be the sole basis for choosing a spouse?

- a) Prayer b) Prophecy c) Beauty d) Parental guidance

20. The role of a Christian counsellor includes all EXCEPT:

- a) Encouraging sexual compatibility tests b) Praying with the couple
c) Offering spiritual guidance d) Helping them discover God's will

21. What is described as the overriding factor for a blissful marriage?

- a) Physical attraction b) Financial compatibility c) Spiritual consideration
d) Cultural similarity

22. According to 1 Corinthians 7:14, believers should not marry:

- a) Younger partners b) Unbelievers c) Widows d) Poor people

23. At what point should a Christian inform the pastor about their intention to marry?

- a) After engagement b) After meeting each other's family
c) At the beginning of the courtship d) A few weeks to the wedding

24. What is the main purpose of Christian courtship?

- a) To plan the wedding b) To engage in physical intimacy
c) To test compatibility d) To study and confirm God's will
25. Which of the following is NOT a recommended practice during Christian courtship?
a) Praying together b) Spending time alone in private homes
c) Studying the Bible d) Seeking counsel
26. Who should be involved in selecting the wedding date?
a) Just the couple b) Pastor alone c) Parents and the couple
d) Best man and maid of honor
27. The Church announcement before marriage should be made:
a) Two weeks before the wedding b) After the wedding
c) Once the couple is engaged d) After dowry payment
28. According to the manual, wedding vows bind the couple:
a) Legally only b) Spiritually and emotionally c) Financially only
d) Traditionally only
29. What should be the attitude towards parents-in-law after marriage?
a) They must live permanently with the couple b) They should come and go
c) They must stay until the first child is born d) They must not visit at all
30. Cultural backgrounds in marriage should be handled with:
a) Strictness and command b) Total rejection
c) Compromise and understanding d) Avoidance and secrecy
31. Which of the following best describes biblical guidance for inter-cultural marriage?
a) Strong disapproval b) Encouragement for cultural dominance
c) Emphasis on mutual respect and adjustment d) Total avoidance of marriage
32. What is the definition of communication according to the manual?
a) Shouting to be heard b) Coordinating signals or messages
c) Telling jokes d) Speaking only in tongues
33. Which of the following is NOT one of the 7 types of communication in Christian homes?
a) Words of apology b) Words of encouragement c) Words of sarcasm
d) Words of truth
34. Effective communication in marriage is based on:
a) Threats and warnings b) Demands and orders
c) Understanding and mutual respect d) Debate and arguments
35. Decision-making in Christian marriage should be:
a) Solely by the man b) A joint responsibility c) Left to the pastor
d) Based on who earns more

36. What is one major challenge discussed in this module?

- a) Illiteracy b) Weaknesses and limitations c) Church attendance
- d) Fashion sense

37. According to the manual, once a habit is formed, it is:

- a) Easily changed b) Quickly corrected c) Difficult to change d) Easily ignored

38. A partner's weaknesses should be:

- a) Announced to friends b) Reported to in-laws
- c) Lovingly managed d) Used for revenge

39. Which of these is encouraged in handling partner's flaws?

- a) Nagging b) Prayers and patience c) Gossiping about them
- d) Giving ultimatums

40. The identification of flaws should begin:

- a) After wedding b) During honeymoon c) During courtship
- d) On the wedding day

41. According to the manual, the first cause of sexual maladjustment is:

- a) Physical abuse b) Financial hardship c) Lack of sex education
- d) Career stress

42. One misconception addressed in the manual is that sex:

- a) Is sacred and holy b) Is only for procreation
- c) Should be discussed in church d) Should not be enjoyed

43. A lack of enjoyment in sexual intercourse is often due to:

- a) Medical conditions b) Ignorance and fear c) Old age
- d) External distractions

44. According to the manual, fear of unwanted pregnancy:

- a) Encourages intimacy b) Has no effect on couples
- c) Discourages sexual fulfillment d) Is a myth in marriage

45. What solution is recommended for sexual maladjustment?

- a) Divorce b) Physical therapy
- c) Sex education and mutual understanding d) Fasting and prayer only

46. What biblical book contains positive references to sexual intimacy in marriage?

- a) Psalms b) Proverbs c) Song of Solomon d) Ecclesiastes

47. Financial responsibility in the home belongs to:

- a) The husband only b) The wife only c) Both partners d) The children

48. One principle of joint financial management is:

- a) Each partner spends without accountability
- b) Each partner has no right to ask about expenses
- c) Mutual planning and agreement
- d) Separate hidden bank accounts

49. The Bible describes the husband and wife as:

- a) Two separate beings
- b) Equal but not one
- c) One flesh
- d) Independent entities

50. What is a possible solution for couples with conflicting views on finances?

- a) Secrecy
- b) Compromise and counseling
- c) Dominance by one partner
- d) Avoidance

51. Divided loyalty often occurs when:

- a) Parents are far away
- b) Children grow and spouses shift affection
- c) Money is mismanaged
- d) There is spiritual growth

52. A major consequence of divided loyalty is:

- a) Mutual support
- b) Jealousy and emotional detachment
- c) Love and closeness
- d) Spiritual growth

53. Empty-nest syndrome is caused by:

- a) Financial hardship
- b) Church pressure
- c) Departure of children from home
- d) Illness

54. One way to guide against frustration from empty-nest syndrome is to:

- a) Adopt new children
- b) Blame your spouse
- c) Deepen marital friendship and companionship
- d) Leave the home frequently

55. According to evangelical Christian views, which is not a valid ground for remarriage?

- a) Adultery
- b) Death
- c) Financial stress
- d) Desertion

56. The Bible teaches that God hates:

- a) Courtship
- b) Celebration
- c) Divorce
- d) Wedding feasts

57. What does Jesus say about divorce in Matthew 19?

- a) It is acceptable anytime
- b) It is not permitted except for fornication
- c) It is allowed by the pastor
- d) It is encouraged in abusive marriages

58. Which of the following is NOT one of the evangelical categories of remarriage?

- a) Indissoluble marriage
- b) Permissible under adultery
- c) Permissible with financial hardship
- d) Never permissible

59. The Bible presents marriage as:

- a) A temporary agreement
- b) A legal transaction
- c) A sacred, indissoluble covenant
- d) A romantic choice

60. According to the manual, remarriage should be:

- a) Avoided at all costs
- b) Done secretly
- c) Carefully prayed over and guided by scripture
- d) Encouraged when partners disagree