

The Abiding Word Online

Biblical Principles for Christian Growth

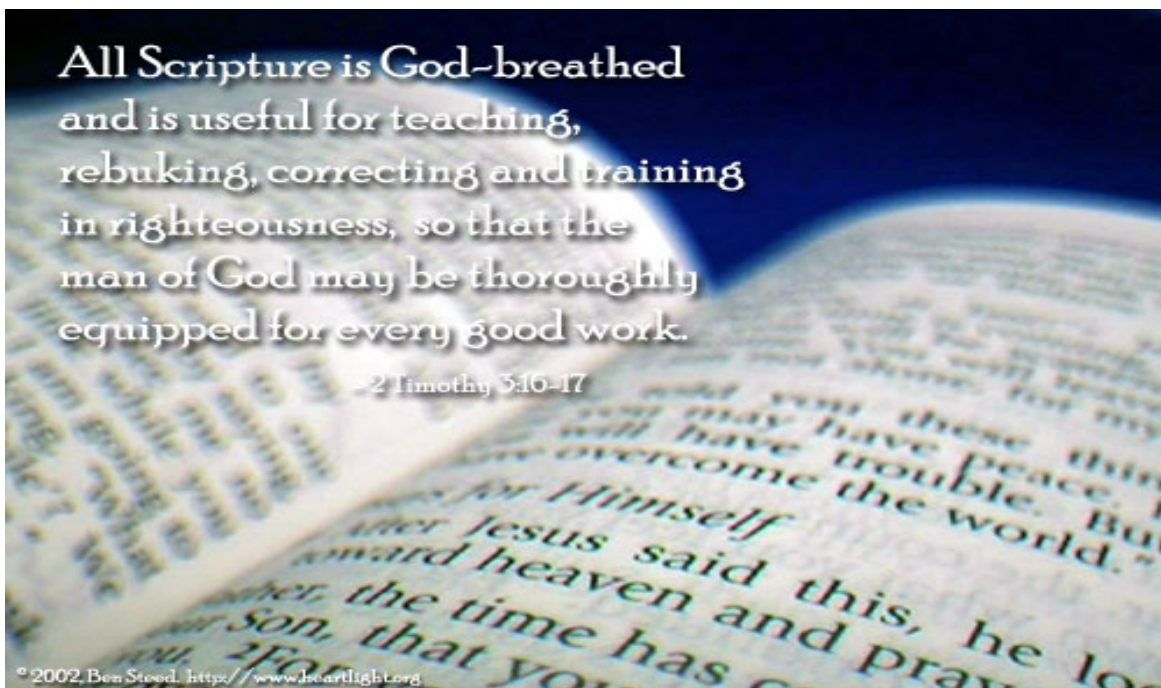
Online Bible Study

The following article is part of a series of study notes, outlines and discussions on Biblical Subjects. The goal is to deal with and express Biblical Principles for Christian Growth.

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No. 4 - Marriage Homework 101

Instructions:

Focus on asking these questions:

1. Have I/we done everything God's way?
2. What do I need to change to do it God's way?

Supply the requested information for the following items:

1. My marriage would be better if only;

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- i.
- j.
- k.

2. In specific terms, list 10 things you have done to make your marriage a success.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

**In specific terms, what do you expect out of marriage? What are your goals in marriage?
What do you expect from your partner?**

4. My expectations for marriage have been the following:

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

5. My goals for marriage:

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

6. Expectations from my partner:

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

7. In specific terms, list 10 ways you have been at fault in your marriage.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

8. In specific terms, list 10 ways you may change to make your marriage a better marriage.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

9. In specific terms, list 15 ways that you and your mate differ in attitude, actions, behavior, interests, desires, goals, mannerisms, etc.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.
- l.
- m.
- n.
- o.
- p.

10. In specific terms, using specific instances, if possible, write out in detail how you show it when you are angry, hurt, opposed, criticized or denied.

Angry –

Hurt –

Opposed –

Criticized –

Denied –

11. In specific terms, write out what you would ask Jesus Christ to change about your marriage if you were assured He would work a miracle and do it.

Answer –

**Honestly evaluate the changes you would like to see in your mate.
Are they really important?**

12. Changes I would like to see in my Husband:

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

13. Changes I would like to see in my Wife:

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

14. Do I have biblical grounds for desiring these changes?

Answer –

15. Are they for the good of your mate or just because you want them?

Answer –

16. Are you really concerned about your mate or just having your own way and making it easy on yourself?

Answer –

17. Consider Philippians 2:3-4 and Ephesians 4:1-3 and write out 10 specific ways in which you may demonstrate to your mate that you think they are really important and that you are sincerely interested in the things that interest them.

“Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.” Philippians 2:3-4

“I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love ;Endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.” Ephesians 4:1-3

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

18. List 10 things you do to please your mate.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

19. List 10 things you should do more often.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

20. List 10 things your mate does that please you.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.

21. List 10 things you would like your mate to do more frequently.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.
- j.
- k.