

Questions for the One considering Engagement

Are they born again?

Do they believe Jesus is the only way?

Are they a member of a church?

Do they go regularly and are actively involved?

Do they tithe?

Are they baptized in the Holy spirit?

Have they or their family ever been involved in freemasonry?

Have they ever been involved in Satanism or witchcraft?

Have they ever been involved in a cult?

Were they previously married?

What was the reason for the divorce?

Are there children involved?

Do they pay alimony?

Does he/she have a job?

Do they work full time or part time?

How far did they go in school?

How much debt/credit card debt do they have?

Have they ever declared bankruptcy?

Is their income greater than their expenditures?

Do they budget their money?

Are they on good terms with and honor their father and mother?

Have you had sex with them?

Have they had sex with other partners?

Have they ever had any homosexual involvement?

Do they have any hidden homosexual tendencies?

Do they look at pornography?

Have they ever been sexually abused?

Have they sexually abused anyone?

Have they been involved in an abortion?

Do they drink alcohol?

Have they ever been convicted for any offense? What was it?

Have they ever been to jail? What for?

Do they have any known medical problems/diseases?
Do they take any prescribed drugs?
Have they ever used illegal drugs?
Were they ever hooked on drugs?
Have they ever been in rehabilitation for drugs or alcohol?
Were their parents divorced?
Do they believe divorce is OK?
Did they have stepparents?
Were they abused by the parents or step parents?
What is their vision for their life?
What are their callings and giftings in God?
Do they want to have children?
Do they think that both parents should work?
Do they believe children should be disciplined IAW biblical principles?
Have you asked God about marrying this person?
Have you asked your parents/pastor about marrying this person?
Are they a rebellious person?
Do they have problems with their bosses?
Do they have a hard time keeping a job?
Are they accountable to anyone?
Do they believe in and are they willingly submit to authority?
Have they ever been fired from a job? For what reason?
Have they ever left a church? For what reason?
Are they correctable, ie listen to wise counsel?
Do they have an anger problem?

Now at first glance, it may seem like these questions are too invasive. However, the engagement period is one designed for a person to really get to know the prospective marriage partner. This is very important because marriage is a covenant, and once the vows are taken, there is no going back. God hates divorce and the vows are for life – unto death do us part.

We, therefore, have to know the person we are giving ourselves away to for the rest of our natural days. And this is particularly difficult as both you and other person are trying to impress each other. You obviously “putting your best foot forward,” so any deficiencies or character flaws would not normally surface. That’s why it’s important to investigate any thing that may seem to be a problem, regardless of how insignificant it may appear. It could be just the “tip of the iceberg,” and an issue you have to get resolved before seriously contemplating marriage.

