**119 Questions To Ask Before Marriage**

These questions were prepared by Brother Stephen K. Hunsaker. Logan Utah Institute Instructor, for the Preparing for an Eternal Marriage Course 234. Asking and answering these questions will be most successful if you answer them with absolute honesty, not with what you think the other person wants you to say. Also consider this from Elder Richard G. Scott: “I suggest that you not ignore many possible candidates who are still developing these attributes, seeking the one who is perfected in them. You will likely not find that perfect person, and if you did, there would certainly be no interest in you. These attributes are best polished together as husband and wife.” (*Ensign*, May 1999, p. 26)

1. What is your testimony about tithing?
2. What is your testimony about scriptures?
3. What is your testimony about prayer?
4. What is your testimony about the temple?
5. What is your testimony about church attendance?
6. What are your feelings about serving in a calling?
7. How important is it to you to be sealed in the temple?
8. Do you currently hold a temple recommend?
9. What would cause you to not attend church?
10. Describe your feelings about the Atonement and your connection to it through personal repentance.
11. How do you define your relationship with God?
12. What role does Family Home Evening play in family life?
13. Do you consider yourself a forgiving person?
14. Do you consider yourself an unselfish person?
15. Do you feel like you are an honest person?
16. What are your feelings about the prophet?
17. How do you feel you will respond if something difficult comes from the prophet?
18. What are your feelings about gay marriage and the churches stance on it?
19. How do you want to teach your children when it comes to gay marriage and the LGBT community?
20. How do you feel you would respond if one of your children struggled with same-sex attraction?
21. Are you comfortable giving/receiving priesthood blessings?
22. How do you feel about taking a premarital assessment and premarital counseling?
23. How do you feel about going to counseling for personal or martial struggles?
24. What do you feel about taking medication for mental/emotional struggles?
25. What are your feelings about the doctrines taught in the Proclamation on the Family?
26. How do you feel about having children?
27. What is your timing on starting a family?
28. How many children have you always wanted to have?
29. If we are unable to have children, how do you feel about adoption?
30. What are your feelings about using birth control?
31. What would we do if we had a baby with autism/down syndrome/other long-term special needs?
32. What makes you nervous or anxious regarding intimacy?
33. How do you feel most comfortable expressing your love?
34. What is the most important way to receive love?
35. What method of discipline do you feel is best to use with children?
36. Who is going to discipline the children?
37. How important is education for members of the family? (Including each other)
38. What role do our parents play in our marriage?
39. What if your mom or dad doesn't like me? What if my mom or dad doesn't like you?
40. What will be different once you get married?
41. What are you expectation of marriage?
42. Do you want to live near extended family?
43. Are you willing to live away from family, even if it is indefinitely?
44. How do you feel about our children staying with members of our families that live different lifestyles then ours?
45. Are you in debt?
46. What are your financial goals?
47. Do you use a credit card regularly?
48. Does it matter to you who will earn most of the income?
49. How do you feel about a wife/mother working outside the home?
50. Do you feel like it is OK to send your children to daycare?
51. What do you feel is justified to go into debt for?
52. How much do you play video games?
53. Will you continue to play video games after marriage? If so, how often?
54. How much do you want to socialize?
55. How important are politics to you?
56. What do you do if your political view goes against your religious view? How do you work through it?
57. What do you consider your role to be in marriage?
58. What are your hopes and dreams for the future?
59. What would be a justifiable reason to consider divorce?
60. How do you feel about sarcasm in relationships?
61. Do you feel like you manipulate people?
62. Are you now currently struggling with pornography?
63. When was the last time you saw pornography? And what did you do about it?
64. What are you doing to protect yourself from pornography?
65. What will you do to protect your future family from pornography?
66. What do you fear about being in a relationship?
67. What are your insecurities?
68. Do you struggle with depression?
69. How important is it to you to get your way?
70. Is there anything that I should be aware of from your past?
71. Have you ever been abused?
72. What has been one of your happiest experiences?
73. What has brought you the greatest sense of sorrow or loss?
74. How much of a temper do you feel you have?
75. What is your greatest fear about getting married?
76. What is your greatest excitement about getting married?
77. What are your feelings about serving a mission?
78. Does it make a difference to you as to the kind of car you drive and the type of house you live in?
79. Are you a saver or a spender?
80. How much do you want to travel?
81. Should children pay for their own missions and/or college?
82. What do you consider quality time together?
83. Are you comfortable having separate and independent friendships?
84. Are you comfortable showing affection in public?
85. How important are birthdays and holidays?
86. Where will we spend our holidays?
87. How important are your hobbies to you?
88. How important are pets to you?
89. Do you struggle with jealousy?
90. What was your childhood like?
91. Describe your high school experience.
92. What would you change about your dating history?
93. What have you learned from your dating history?
94. How do you feel about dressing modestly?
95. How do you feel the Sabbath day should be spent?
96. Do you feel it is OK to watch sports on Sunday?
97. Do you feel it is OK for your children to play sports on Sunday?
98. Are you comfortable with your emotions?
99. Who is your most significant relationship with?
100. Do you consider yourself a positive person?
101. Would you rather read a book or watch TV?
102. Are there any health concerns you have that would affect our relationship?
103. How important is shopping to you?
104. How important are sports to you?
105. Describe your dream-wedding day.
106. Where do you want to go on a honeymoon?
107. How much should we spend on a honeymoon?
108. Does it matter to you how much is spent on an engagement ring?
109. Do you want a reception?
110. Can my weird Uncle Frank play “Wind Beneath My Wings” on his accordion at our reception?
111. How do you resolve conflict? i.e. how do you fight?
112. What are some of your strengths in communication?
113. What are some of your weaknesses in communication?
114. What are some traits you possess that you think will contribute to you being a good spouse?
115. What are some traits you possess that you think will contribute to you being a good Father/Mother?
116. What is your greatest strength?
117. What is your greatest weakness?
118. What do you love about me the most?
119. How do you know this is the “real thing”?