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“Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighted greatly in his commandments ...wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth forever” Psalm 112:1 – 3.

“If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures” Job 36:11.

“The liberal soul shall be made fat: he that watereth shall himself be watered back” Proverbs 11:25.

“Now thanks be unto God, who always causeth us to triumph in Christ Jesus, and maketh manifest the savour of His knowledge by us in every place”... 2 Corinthians 2:14.

“Write the Vision, that he may run that reads the vision”... Habakkuk 2:2. Happy are those that read and run with the vision of this book.

You either enter the message or allow the message to enter you. Whether you enter the message or allow the message to enter you, you still get the same effect of the message but different applied methods. If the message must enter you, you need to open your heart and catch it by Faith but if you must enter the message you wrestle, fight or war for the message or dive into the message by Faith and catch it by Faith... Sir. John Norman.

Please: Give a copy to your partner to read and read a copy. Or get a copy and study it together with your aspiring partner or marriage partner using the Scriptures written here as a guide. And pray for God's leading and understanding and peace and will to prevail in your life as you dive into this book in search of the truth. God bless you.

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“Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay. Acquire no gold or silver or copper for your belts, no bag for your journey, or two coats or sandals or a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart...Matthew 10:8-11. Anyone whom God has blessed from this free e-book & wants to donate to support this work, contact me. Thank You.

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This book – **Restoring Marital Dignity** is authored by Sir. John Norman to illuminate marriage men & women who's marriages have been plagued by the devil & therefore suffering marital bruises. The book is also meant for people that are believing God for a life partner, those that are preparing for marriages throughout the world.

Sir. John Norman has been engraced with Supernatural Wisdom Governing Marriages & would love to use this platform to release these keys to heal every broken or bruised marriage by the Power of the Almighty God. Blessed are those preparing for marriages that read this book because they'll be fore-armed with weapons against marital attacks, fortified and have access to the keys to marital peace, directed to the roadmap to the right marital destination and lastly breakthrough all marital and relationship odds in the name of Jesus.

Everything in life in itself "is an enclosure" & therefore has an entrance which is "the door". Hence every door is operated by keys, passwords & even these days' thumbprints. For that matter, not every key, password or thumbprint opens every door. You need the key not a key, you need the password not a password, and you need the thumbprint not a thumbprint to open the door. Mind you, until the right keys are applied the door will not open for you. However, when the right keys are applied you don't need six (6) years, you don't need thousand (1000) years and the door will open to you because you applied the key not a key.

You need the road to land at the destination. A road will lead you to a destination but not the destination. And on every road, you need light to drive or walk your way through. Lest you dash your foot against a stone, crush a stumbling block, probably land in a pot-hole or pit because the road is dark.

This book is therefore born to illuminate marriages, to restore marital dignity, to inspire aspiring marriage couples and all singles desiring to marry. It's also meant to destroy every negative verdict that people have concerning marriage & therefore sees marriage as troublesome & a sort of curse rather than a blessing also meant to destroy every marital curse or spell through God. It is "The John The Baptist and Jesus Christ of Every Marital Destiny".

This book is also meant to bind couples that are separated so that they'll enjoy marital joy, success & peace.

This book is also meant for marriage couples that believe God for the fruit of the womb, to destroy ready every chain of barrenness to as many that read this book.

This book is also meant for those who are suffering Marital Poverty and Stagnation in any Family that comes into contact with this book and reads it.

This book is indeed: "The John The Baptist of Every Marriage" and "The Jesus Christ of Every Marriage". John the Baptist came to "Prepare The Way for Jesus" and "Jesus Himself Came to Liberate The World from the Power of Sin & Death, and Destroy The Works of The Devil through His Blood Shedding". Hence

this book is meant to “Prepare Every Marriage Aspirant for Good Marriage” and also “Liberate Every Marriage Man or Woman that Reads this Book from Every Marital Challenge for Total Marital Liberty by An Encounter with Light”. The truth is Light and that Light is The Word of God, and The Word of God is A Person. And the Word of God created all things and can still re-create as far as it is released against a target because there’s God’s Spirit backing His Word and God cannot fight against His Word, make His Word inefficient or ineffective neither can He lie against His own Word. “For it is impossible for God to lie”. “For you shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free”. By your encounter with the truth in this book, receive your total marital liberty in the name of Jesus Christ.

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Sir. John Norman had noticed with keen interest how the devil is devouring the world & creating all kinds of evil using “Love, Marriage & Family Affairs” to the point that money is “No Longer the Root of All Evil” but rather Love life, relationships & family affairs have taken the lead in most evil acts in this modern era. I read in one of Ghana’s Newspaper – Daily Guide how a female University student who is currently at large, poured an acid on the face of her boyfriend who damped her after all she’s done for him. I also read in the same newspaper how a man reportedly butchered his wife for being unfaithful to him. Both men and women of these days are also equally guilty of organized murder offenses. Most of the evil reports we hear these days are love & family related – rape, cheating, fornication, adultery, murder, destruction of family property, consulting fetish priests, voodooism, enchantments, broken heartedness, bitterness, bribery and corruption, selfishness, unthankfulness, unforgiveness, disrespectfulness, disobedience, etc.

Because everybody needs good marriage for him or herself, everybody wants his or family to be the best and everybody wants the choicest man or woman he or she desires to be for him or herself only. Children of these days when they grow wants family properties only for their wives and children or at least get some inheritance hence they fight. Likewise step mothers and polygamous wives also tend to fight for their husband’s inheritance for their children and even encourage their children to fight for these properties. Hence they go at any length even to the extent of consulting the devil to get these inheritances, at times killing their step children and their mother to have everything for themselves.

Others enter into marriage not because of the love for the man or woman whom they have married or about to marry, but because of material things; because he or she is financially sound or because of their future ambitions sake. And if these things are not fulfilled, they turned to fight or disrespect their partner. Others too after using their partners to get what they want, they start showing their true colours.

Sir. John Norman is writing this book out of Divine Grace, Inspirations & Lessons he had learnt from the societies and strongly believes that every marital stagnation, marital challenges and marital spells will drop of every marriage couples that reads this book. To God Jehovah alone be all the glory and all the praise. Amen & Amen.

MARRIAGE DEFINITION

Marriage: is the oldest institution invented by God himself which binds a man & a woman together to become one flesh under a 3-fold Covenant between a man & a woman and God himself. And as the Scripture says: **“a 3 fold cord is not quickly broken”**... Ecclesiastes 4:12.

So marriage is a “Tripartite Covenant” where both parties “The Man, The Woman and God Endorses Their Signatures”. And as far as God comes in, He’ll do everything possible to keep the marriage alive. That is why God said: **“Divorce have I hated”**...**Malachi 2:16 – 17**. And all lovers of God “Must love what God loves, and hate what God hates, else you make yourself an Enemy of God”.

That is why He (God) said through Apostle Paul that: **“To the married couples I give this command, not I (but the Lord); let no wife leave her husband, and if she does she must remain unmarried, or else reconcile with the husband, and that the husband should not divorce his wife”**....**1 Cor.7:10-11**. Jesus told the Pharisees: **“Moses prescribed divorce certificates because of your hardheartedness. But from the beginning it was not so”**....**Matthew 19:8**. That means that divorce is not God’s will, but comes from the devil. So let every stubborn heart, hardheartedness, pride, selfishness, ingratitude, adultery / fornication, cheating be abolished out of every marital system and every relationship heading towards marriage and let peace be restored. For such “negative behaviors are devices from the devil and not from God”.

Yes, God is “a Covenant Keeping God”. He says: **“my covenants would I not break or alter the thing that has gone out of my lips”**....**Psalm 89:34**. So **“have respect unto the covenant”** God says....**Psalm 74:20**.

All who puts up such negative behaviors **“will not inherit God’s Kingdom”**.... **1 Corinthians 6:9 – 10**. Jesus says: **“Outside (the Kingdom) are the dogs and sorcerers and the immoral persons...”** ... **Revelations 22:15 – 16**. Otherwise what makes you think you’ll inherit God’s Kingdom with your negative behavior? “Anything that is not right is wrong or unrighteous and any wrongful or unrighteous thing is a Sin”. As God says through Apostle John: **“Every unrighteousness is a Sin”**... **1 John 5:17**.

That is why Jesus says: **“Many will appear before me on the judgment day saying Lord, Lord did we not prophesy in your name, cast out devils in your name and did many powerful works in your name? And I’ll tell them plainly I did not know you. Depart from me you workers of lawlessness”****Matthew 7:22 – 23**.

All those who practice lawlessness such as envy, jealousy, stubbornness, pride, ingratitude, fornication, cheating will not inherit God’s Kingdom. Likewise **“Selfish people will not also inherit God’s Kingdom”****Matthew 5:35–46**

Let me make it clear: **“if you’re a noble & generous person (that is you give to the poor or everyone), if you have faith to move mountains, if you have the gift of prophecy, if you have knowledge and wisdom into all mysteries but do not have love, you are a nonentity”**....**1 Corinthians 13:2 – 3**.

Yes, **“anyone who claims he loves God, but does not love his brother is a liar”....1 John 4:20 – 21**. To tell you the Gospel truth “anyone who does not love does not know God” and God does not know such a person....1 John 4:8. Non-lovers will be among the category of people Christ will tell them plainly “I do not know you, depart from me you workers of lawlessness”. So, do to your partner what you want him or her to do unto you.

Marriage is not only a union between a Man and a Woman or a Male and a Female in Holy Matrimony but it is also a union between two (2) families. The family of both the man and the woman that have been joined in Holy Matrimony now forms a union. You’ll have mother-in-laws, father-in-laws, brother-in-law, sister-in-laws. And the Children born after you will also have Paternal and Maternal Grand Parents, Uncles and Aunties because two (2) families have now become a union.

During naming ceremonies both families come together to play their role for the success of the program.

If you enter a family you’re about to get married to and you are despised, you can withdraw. That is very advisable. If you go ahead and marry, any problem that engulfs from that marriage is blamed on you. In fact, you are on your own if you forgo the families and go ahead with that marriage. But you can also pray for God to touch that family despising you to change their heart and attitude towards you.

“In the mighty name of Jesus Christ every Satanic Force, every opposition fighting against the unification of your marriage is pulled down this hour, by The Blood of Jesus Christ”. “And in the name of Jesus Christ every resistant force fighting against your will to marry is destroyed by the blood of Jesus Christ now, and so shall it be forever in Jesus’ name I pray”.

“By the blood of Jesus Christ you will marry your desired partner according to God’s Will and marry in peace in the name of Jesus Christ”. Whatever force or spirit or humanity that has taken God’s place in your marriage or marital preparation is dropping off your life in the name of Jesus Christ, now. Yes, everything that has a beginning has an expiry date. Every product may have many years to expire, but the moment you uncover the product for some few days – the product will expire. In the same manner, every challenge in your life has a longtime to expire. But every challenge no matter how hidden it may be, shall be exposed to the light which is God’s Word and the Blood of Jesus Christ and that challenge will expire instantly. For it is written, the Stone (that is Jesus) that the builders rejected has become the Chief Cornerstone. And everyone who falls upon that Stone (which is Jesus) shall be broken, and whosoever that the Stone (Jesus) shall fall upon shall be grounded into powder. From today, I target the name of Jesus and come against every challenge in your marriage and quest to marry in the name of Jesus Christ. That challenge shall be grounded into powder in the name of Jesus according to what the Word of God has spoken.

God’s Word is sharper than any two-edged sword, dividing asunder Spirits and Souls, casting down imaginations, pulling down every stronghold.

FUNDAMENTALS OF MARRIAGE

1. Jesus told the Pharisees: **“From the beginning He (Jehovah) made them male & female”....Matthew 10:6.** Hence **“marriage is not a union between a male & a male or a female & a female”**. That is blasphemy because the author of the marriage is supposed to spearhead the vows that were made under the “Marriage Covenant”. Hence homosexuals have changed God’s Agenda to their own & telling God: we like it our own way & not your way and presenting it before the same God to join them in Matrimony. Homosexual Marriage is “not a Holy Matrimony but a Cursed Matrimony and a Sinful Matrimony”. In the name of Jesus, I terminate every Homosexual Marriage to every Homosexual reading this book from today. For it is written: **“whosoever shall say unto this mountain without any doubt, you shall have what you say”....Matthew 11:23.** He didn’t say if many, few or some because “death and life lies in the Power of the Tongue”. Anything that has not been planted by my Father, Jesus says shall be uprooted and cast into the Fire and so shall it be in Jesus mighty name I pray.

It should be noted that Homosexuality alone led to the destruction of two cities & not only one city - which is Sodom & Gomorrah including human beings, animals, trees & non-living things. Hence, homosexuality is a very “big sin” before God’s sight....Romans 1:24 – 30, Genesis 18 & 19.

2. **“He made them male & female”** also means **“one man, one wife (monogamy) in the New Testament’s order of marriage”** which cancels the Old Testament’s order of marriage - which permits a man to marry more than one wife (polygamy) and it also cancels polyandry (a woman marrying more than one husband).

3. Jesus also forbids divorce in the New Testament. Jesus says: **“any man who divorces His wife except on the ground of fornication and marries another commits adultery”....Matthew 19:9.** That means, except on the grounds of fornication you have no permit before God as a man or woman to divorce your wife or husband. In the name of Jesus, every hand, every spell, every voice breaking every Godly marriage is destroyed from today. For it is written, if 2 or 3 of you shall agree concerning anything in my name it shall be done. Therefore by this prayer & declaration of agreement between you and I, your Godly marriage is restored in the name of Jesus.

4. Jesus continues: **“He who leaves his wife except on the ground of fornication leaves her to commit adultery and he who marries a divorced woman, commits adultery”....Matthew 5:32.**

5. **“Marriage is God’s design not Satan’s design or man’s design”** and therefore God’s principles must work & not Satan’s principles or man’s principles”. In the name of Jesus, every Satanic Marriage, every Human & Satanic Marital Principle is destroyed now. And in Jesus name God’s hand & his principles rules in your marriage beginning from today, so shall it be that at the mentioning of the name of Jesus every knee must bow & every tongue shall confess that Jesus is Lord. The name of Jesus is like a Huge Hail Stone: **“Whosoever that the Stone shall fall upon shall be grounded to powder, and whosoever falls upon it shall be broken”....Matthew 21:44.**

6. **“Couples can be in a marriage but only one partner will enter into God’s Kingdom and the other partner will be rejected likewise both couples can enter into God’s Kingdom or all of them may miss God’s Kingdom”** depending on the deeds of each partner & God Judges, Blesses & Curses Individuals and not Groups. As from today, by the cry of Jesus on Mount Calvary, any orchestration in your marriage to make you Miss God’s Kingdom is destroyed in the name of Jesus. **“For at the mention of the name of Jesus, every knee must bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord”Philippians 2:10 – 11.**
7. **“One of the marriage partners can invite curse into the matrimony which can affect the other partner and the children as well”**. This curse can start from His / Her Regime & affect generations that are yet to be born. Likewise one of the partners can invite blessing into the family for His / Her partner, the children & generations to be born to also enjoy from generation to generation”. As from today, every curse hanging over your marriage (your wife, your husband, your children) is destroyed in the name of Jesus. Jesus gives you rest as you believe it.
8. **“Every marriage is as unique as a door lock and therefore every marriage is operated by its own keys, codes or thumb prints”**. Although every door is operated by keys, codes or thumb prints NOT every key, code or thumb print opens every door. So you can’t operate every marriage with another man’s marital keys, codes or thumb print, especially if it is a bad advice, bad practice or wrong principle unknown to man. Some marriages can quickly break apart when wrong advice, wrong principles are applied whiles some marriages may takes years to get destroyed by wrong principles but will be full of long-term bruises. As from today, any marriage destroyer, be it your friend or your enemy or any advice or any wrong key, codes or thumb print that is wrecking your marriage apart is totally terminated out of your life in the name of Jesus Christ. Many have wrecked their marriages due to bad advices from friends on how to manage marital issues and some may have recovered from wreckages and learnt lessons whiles others are still dancing in the pit and still others have not been able to recover back the way they started till date.
9. **“It takes two (2) partnering forces, or the efforts of each couple on equal basis in holy matrimony to drive forward and not one (1) partners’ effort alone”**. It takes two(2) hearts joining together to become one on 50:50 ratio or 50-50% percentage basis to make marriage drive forward and not 70:30 or any other ratio. In the mighty name of Jesus, every marital imbalance is pulled down for your sake, and in the name of Jesus, equality, stability, peace is your marital blessings from today. For it is written: **“The weapons of our warfare (that is – the name of Jesus, the name Jehovah, the Blood of Jesus, Faith, the Holy Spirit and the Word of God) are not canal but are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds”2 Corinthians 10:4.** And Jesus says: **“you have not asked anything, ask anything in my name and it shall be done for you by my Father who is in Heaven”**. You won’t miss your marital keys in the name of Jesus. If you have a car where the front tire alone is moving, but the back tire is stagnated, how do you expect that vehicle to gain speed? Won’t the front tire be put under too much pressure? I tell you one partner paddling the canoe alone had led to marriage break downs to millions of people worldwide. This is one of the Devil’s Weapons of war against marital destinies; you won’t be a Victim in the name of Jesus Christ.

10. **“Marriage is Like a Mirror”**. Every mirror gives you a reflection of every action you perform before it. Whatever you do in your marriage is the result you’ll obtain in your marriage. If you put in joy, it’ll reflect joy for you. If you sow anger, you’ll reap anger. And mind you, you’re spiritually one (1) flesh and not two (2) so whatever you do to your partner will reflect back to you. It’s like throwing a ball against a wall, which will surely bounce back to you. If you cheat your partner financially, watch your own finances diminish. If you cheat on your partner via adultery, consider your ways; if you insult your partner consider how your life diminishes. Every wrong & impending wrong marital action is terminated off your life in the name of Jesus Christ.

11. **“Marriage is A Boat Driven by A Man & A Woman in Holy Matrimony”**. Every boat keeps you away from the dangers of the sea, rivers or the ocean. In the same manner, marriage is a boat that keeps you away from the sins of this world such as fornication, adultery, masturbation, stealing / robbery, etc because it is propelled or driven not by one person alone but by two persons. One man shall put a 1000 to flight, but two men shall put 10,000 to flight. That is the power of marriage. It is never driven by the effort of one person alone. You don’t sit down and expect your partner to put in His / Her effort or expect your partner to contribute greater percent whiles you draw back. In the name of Jesus Christ, every satanic weapon fighting against your marriage is finally terminated in the name of Jesus Christ.

12. **“Marriage is a Service to God & Not To Any Man or Woman”**. Marriage is a Service rendered to your Employer – Heaven, your Boss is God himself and not man and the company structure you’re working in is Marriage. You are God’s Caretaker or Customer Care Officer and God will reward you of this service. You don’t need to advise God before He knows how to reward you of this service. Take good care of your partner as your partner takes good care of you. Render marital services or duties for God and not for your partner or for yourself in view. And if you’re Serving God, do you cheat Him or rob any property in His Company? So how then do you cheat your partner in marriage? If you rob or cheat your partner, you rob or cheat God. And God will punish you for this behavior. In fact, many marriage partners will not inherit God’s Kingdom on this robbery account. Do it with our heart for God. In the name of Jesus Christ, any satanic device in your heart that won’t allow you to engage marital service from your heart for God is destroyed now. So shall it be in the name of Jesus Christ.

13. **“Your Partner is A Gift Handed Over by God to You”**. Your husband or wife is a gift from God handed over to you by God to keep for Him no matter how he or she looks like. No matter how old or new money may look like, when the President of your country assigns you to take care of it for Him / Her you keep it well likewise when he /she gives you gold or diamond to keep for him. How much more are these material things compared to man? If you put material things and other things first before man, you have insulted God who created us in His image. It means you love material things more than man, and you don’t love God and don’t know God. And God does not know you. “You’ll be among those whom God will say: “I don’t know you, depart from me you workers of lawlessness”. It’s time to move away from Churchiality to Spirituality. For anyone who claims he loves God, yet hates his brother is a liar. Love your partner and take care of him or her for God and not for yourself or for your partner. So you don’t enter marriage and bluffs your partner with anything, you give out everything and God will reward you everything.

14. **“Your Partner is A Son or A Daughter of God”**. Your partner is a Son or a Daughter of God, so how well do you handle God’s Child? Remember Apostle Paul was once Saul when he was going round about harming God’s children until Jesus met him on the way and told him He (Jesus) is the one Paul was harming and not the Christians per say, and Jesus struck Saul with blindness and took him up for his work. So if you harm your partner or harm a Christian Brother or Sister, you harm God and God will harm you. In fact, you curse yourself because anything you do that does not bring you blessings, you carry a curse in returns. When you hurt him or her, God, His Son & the Holy Spirit, feels the pain directly in Heaven.
15. **“Marriage is Not A Mere Wish but A Fight of Faith”**. Lions are the King of the forest but lions don’t wait for meat, they hunt for meat. If for thousand years you refuse to move, there’s no way you arrive at your destination. Any chain, barrier or stumbling block resisting your marriage or pending marriage is destroyed now in the name of Jesus Christ. Anything God has not planted shall be uprooted & destroyed.
16. **“Marriage is Created”**. The mystery of creation at Genesis Chapter 1 gives us the mystery of how all things were created. The world was full of darkness and water covers the deep, and God says: “Let there be light and there was light”. So light was created (one light to rule at day, another light to rule at night). Marriage is also created by means of God’s Word and taking steps of faith, praying your way to breakthroughs with God’s Word. Without God’s Word, there’s nothing in existence... **John 1:3**.
17. **“Marriage Can Be Re-Created”**. God created all things by means of His Word and created us in His Image. That is why “as many as believed Him (Jesus Christ), He gave them power to become the sons of the Most High God”. A son or a daughter of God is a god, has power invested in himself or herself from God to turn situations around by the same Word of God used to create all things. That is why we can hear testimonies of children of God that got their wombs removed by surgery when they were not born again, but when they came to Christ, God has turned their stories upside down, even fibroids healed, miracle jobs, financial prosperity blossoming forth in people’s lives. No matter what challenge you’re suffering from in your marriage, your marital destiny and marital atmosphere can be turned upside down by God’s Word. Even if the negative challenge you’re suffering from was pronounced from a Prophet, you can go before God in prayer and His Word and wrestle your way out of that storm.
18. **“There’s No Way Out, No Turning Back in Marriage”**. Marriage is “forever till Thy Kingdom Come”. So there’s nothing like divorce in God’s Original Agenda of Marriage. The Pharisees asked Jesus: “Why then did Moses give us a divorce certificate? And He answered them and said Moses gave you divorce certificates because of your hard-heartedness, but from the beginning it was not so”. So it was due to the stubbornness of one of the couples or all the two couples that brings about divorce. You don’t enter marriage with one leg in, one leg out mentality. Some people enter marriage with that mentality so any slight problem; they run away from the marriage. God will punish all such men and women who go with such mentality. All these are the plans and devices of the devil, please open your spiritual senses and do away with all these. By the blood of Jesus Christ, every mentality of one leg in, one leg out of marriage is destroyed off your life in the name of Jesus Christ. Jesus said: “anything that has not been planted by my Father shall be uprooted and destroyed. God said: “divorces have I hated”...Mal. 2:16-17. Hate what God hates.

19. **“You Don’t Enter Marriage in Search of Material Gains from Your Partner”**. Many people enter marriage not because of anything except material gains from their partner and His / Her family. And if this material gains such as money, cars, clothing are not showing forth the marriage starts suffering attacks. They tend to disrespect their partners, and go to the extent of dating outside marriage and engaging in adultery. God will not prosper such a partner, even when you accumulate wealth by such method that wealth will diminish because your heart is not clean. Many marital separations, quarrels, bitterness, fights, divorce erupts from this corrupt personalities who entered marriage only to end up being disappointed. And that is the beginning of the marital woes. Enter with love and God will bring you the rest. For where there’s love, there’s peace. May God give you a meek heart in Jesus name.
20. **“You Don’t Hide Things from Your Partner”**. Many people engage in marriage life, doing things behind their partner. And when their partner gets to find out, it turns out to be a problem between the two partners. Don’t follow the worldly ways because “though we’re in this world, we are no part of this world”. Remember God is present during the vows proclamation and the three (3) of you - God, yourself and your partner must always be invited to address every positive and negative issues of your life.
21. **“You Must Engage in Daily Prayer Life With Your Partner”**. Many marriage partners start prayers at the beginning of their marriages and later faint away. They only engage in prayers when problems arise. Other partners don’t even pray at all and when challenges arise, they now tend to consult Pastors, Prophets and even Fetish Priests. “It is not granted unto a man to direct his steps” so always talk to God every Morning and Evening. Make sure you clean yourself first before inviting God into our presence because “Cleanliness is next to Godliness”. Moses forewarns the Israelites to clean themselves and their habitat before God appear to them, lest He comes and find their filthiness and turn away”.
22. **“You Do Away with Negative Characters before You Enter Marriage”**. Marriage is God’s Design and not man’s design. You don’t enter marriage with your bad character and change God’s Plan to provoke God to anger. Please with all due respect, do away with Pride, Stubbornness, Hardheartedness, Disobedience, Backbiting, Hatred, Selfishness, Unforgiveness, Fault-Findings, Etc. You drop such devilish characters behind before you enter marriage. May God give you understanding to change in Jesus’ name.
23. **“Love Can Be Built in Marriage”**. Many people have married partners who’s heart are far away from them. Some people entered marriage because of material gain or for money. But marriage is not born so and definitely, they’ll suffer the negative effects of it and even disturb their partners. All these are the works of the Devil because he’s always doing what he can to destroy God’s Work – one of it is Marriage. But all these can be corrected by God’s Word because all things came into existence by the same Word of God. Every manufacturer has spare parts for His / Her products likewise is our hearts, minds in the Hands of God and He can change it at any time through your prayers. Daniel was thrown into a lion’s den but God touched the hearts and mouths of the lions not to harm Daniel. God can change your partner for you according to your likeness in Jesus’ name. And in the name of Jesus your partner will change according to God’s likeness and your likeness, so shall it be. Every device of the devil in your life drifting away your heart and love away from your partner is destroyed today in the name of Jesus Christ. All these are devices of the devil to make marriage, a creation of God, looks evil & bitter in the sight of men & women of God.

24. **“Covenant Church Stewardship Puts Marital Devils Under Your Feet”**. To defeat every devices of the devil and put the devil under your feet, you must make it a habit of Evangelizing and Winning Souls for God. “Jesus sent His disciples on Evangelism Errand and they came back to report to Jesus: Even the Demons were obedient to us. And He said: I see satan fall like lightning from Heaven”. So God puts satan and his demons under your feet as you go for Evangelism to Win Souls for Him. If you’re in Church and don’t have a service group, join one. You can’t be coming to meet God and always demand from Him and not do anything for Him. Jesus gave us command to “Go throughout the nations and preaching for people to repent, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teaching them to also observe all that He has commanded”. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and all His Righteousness, and all that you want shall be added unto you...Matthew 6:33. You can make a Covenant with God concerning that issue of your life, go for Evangelism or Stewardship, after every service go and pray to God. Some people have even given testimonies where they forgot about their issues which they Covenanted with God and went for Stewardship for God, and God answered them unexpectedly after some years.

25. **“You Must Prepare Yourselves Well Before You Marry”**. Adequate pre-marital preparation is very vital because “the way you lay your bed determines how well you sleep”. Marriage is like a Vehicle and Every Vehicle Goes on a Journey. You can’t go for a journey without adequate fuel in your vehicle. Every vehicle without enough fuel for its journey would not go far. And remember if you get stuck along the line, you may face Highway Robbery Attacks. “He that has an ear, let Him / Her Hear”. This preparation is not for the man alone, both partners must prepare themselves well before getting married. Jesus says: “for this purpose a Son must leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife. And the two (2) shall become one (1) flesh. Not two (2) but one (1) flesh”. So both the male and female must leave their father and mother first and marry. They must get an accommodation on their own. Those who disobey this order are bound to face challenges in marriage. It is not adviceable to carry your wife or husband to your father’s house or mother’s house. Most of this, had led to many divorce cases. There had been an issue where after marriage, the lady’s Daddy told her daughter he doesn’t see the reason why he’s built a house and she has to stay with her husband. So the lady has moved from her husband’s house to her father’s house. And everyday, the husband will come and carry this lady in his vehicle to her father’s house and visit this lady every night whiles he sleep in his house alone. This lady is a Christian but had not obeyed God’s command: Leave your father and mother. And some parents are breaking and destroying the marriages of their Sons and Daughters. God will punish severely any father or mother, brother or sister, pastor or prophet, friend or enemy who partakes in destroying the marital destiny, cause marital problems of another, or their sons & daughters. “What God has yoked together, let no man put asunder”.

26. **“Beware of The Advices You Hear from People”**. Many bad advices had landed so many people into Marriage Breakdowns, Marital Separations and Divorces till date. Bad or wicked advice, no matter how good it may look, no matter how sweet it may taste would still cause damage to your partner and your marriage. If you don’t see it today, then am here to let you know you’re sitting on a time bomb. And your partner or marriage will one day explode the same negative effect of the bad advice you applied. Poison is still poison no matter the quantity of sugar mixed with it.

And you can bare witness with me that we have quick poison and slow poison, but all poison kills at the end. Mind you if you do anything to hurt your partner, God will punish you for that likewise the person who gave you that bad advice to apply to your marriage as a remedy. Jesus said: “The stumbling blocks must of necessity come, but woe to him through which the stumbling block came. It will be finer for a hailstone be hanged upon his head and cast into the sea than for him to live”. Marriage is like a Boat Sailing in the Deep Blue Sea which is Propelled or Paddled by Two People – The Husband and Wife. You can bear witness with me that if you step out of a boat, even if you know how to swim you’ll still die because Osmosis will start taking effect on your body; you’ll lose all the water in your body and die or be attacked by big sea animals that are hungry for food. The Boat is the Marriage, the Captain is God, the Engineers are the Husband and Wife, the Sea Animals Hungry for Food are the Stumbling Blocks – Bad Advisers, the Devil and his Agents, False Prophets that are looking for chances to plague your marriage and the Food they are Looking for to Consume is the Married Couples or Aspiring Marriage Couples. Anytime anybody bring any advice to apply against your partner, ask yourself will I be happy if I were treated that manner? If you won’t be happy when you’re treated that manner, why then do you treat your partner that manner? Do unto others what you want others to do unto you, for upon this law all laws and prophesies hung. If you don’t know where you’re going, people will send you where they are going. Mind you “Marriage is like a Mirror, everything you do to it, will reflect back to you in multi-folds. Just like the way you plant one mango seed, but harvest more than 500 mango fruits twice every year so shall it be unto you for every good and bad inputs you push into your marriage. God divorce you from every bad adviser in Jesus’ name.

27 **“You Don’t Use Your Partner as Stepping Stone & Damp Him / Her Somewhere”**. Some people enter marriage with this kind of mentality –to use their partners as stepping stones to build their lives or get what they want and afterwards, damp them somewhere. You won’t even call to say how are you after you get what you want. The only day or times you call your partner or smile with him or her is when you’re in need, and after getting what you want you don’t know him or her again. And if you don’t get what you need from your partner, you start misbehaving. You always want “Me First” or “Only Me” and don’t have anything doing with your partner. Some people too after scaling to the heights they wish to get in life, they tend to disregard, disrespect and bluff their partners. If that is your character, am sorry you’re a poisonous gull. You’re being controlled and ruled by the Devil. By the Blood of Jesus, I curse that Spirit in you in Jesus’ name I pray. This is called “Satanic Success”, Satanic Success is always Selfish in Nature. If you have this kind of character, please change. God hates such behaviors.

If God knew there’s no hope of change in you, why then did he gave up his only begotten Son – Jesus Christ to come and shed His Blood, and die for the Sins of Mankind? And why then did He command us to go for Evangelism? Yes, everybody can change. God is battling and the devil is also battling, but light will conquer darkness at the ends Christ. You were created in God’s image and therefore a Son or a Daughter of God, I therefore pray: anything that does not look like God in your life is destroyed off your life in Jesus mighty name. You must strive for your character to look like God, if not check yourself. I release the Blood of Jesus against your heart to cleanse you from every of such carnality in the name of Jesus Christ. May God give you total peace and mental stability, in the name of Jesus Christ.

28. **“Keep Your Partner’s Attention Away from Outside”**. It is your God-given responsibility to keep your partner’s attention away from outside. I told you earlier that marriage is like Customer Care Service rendered to God and not to any human being, so you need to render quality service to God and for God and God will pay you dearly for rendering this kind of service. For every laborer is wealthy of his or her wages and there’s no labor without a profit. Serving God pays.

Watch out the kind of behavior or character you show out to your partner. And never be the one to start putting up bad behavior towards your partner. The advent of bad behaviors in marriage has corrupted so many marriages, bruised so many marriages, caused marital separation and divorce in the world till date. So many marriages are still in progress but are not at peace till date due to the corruptible behaviors partners or one partner puts up in the marriage.

Bad characters and behaviors people show towards their partners have drifted their partners attention far away from the marriage. With the character you’re showing towards your partner, how do you expect his or her attention to stay inside the marriage? Why can’t you make the marriage a homey place for all of you to stay? To be very frank, putting up bad behavior or bad character towards your partner is not from God but from the devil. It is one of the weapons satan uses against marriages that are covenanted with God so as to destroy it. Why allow the devil to enter you? Why allow the devil to use you? Don’t be a Judas Iscariot in your marriage & don’t allow anyone to allow the devil to use you to bruise your marriage at all. If it is possible, shun that bad association. But if the character is coming from your own self, then you must talk to God to change that behavior of yours with immediate effect before things get out of hand. And God will help you to change in Jesus mighty name.

Bad characters and behaviors exhibited from the part of one partner have drifted the other partner into either extra-marital affairs or something else. Day in and day out, each partner meets many opposite sexes everywhere he or she goes to. And if you’re fund of putting up bad behaviors towards your partner, mind you there’re lots of opposite sexes up there who are putting up good behaviors towards him or her. This is where the devil’s temptations and traps set in. If all or most of the time I come home, you puts up bad character and bad behavior towards me but the same opposite sexes treat me nicely; why won’t my heart be drifted away to those people? Or if I keep treating you badly with my bad character or bad behaviors but the same opposite sexes up there kept treating you nicely; why won’t your heart be drifted away to those people? And very soon he or she will start becoming very close to one of them, sharing laughter, jokes, going out and before you know it extra-marital affairs have begun. Some people will even remove their wedding rings and deny ever getting married. Why won’t it be so? All these are satan’s traps, it starts gradually and later leads to something else. Please, check yourself and don’t give any room for satan to penetrate and destroy your marriage. Not even ½ a Second let alone a Minute. Don’t become unevenly yoked with the worldly styles or worldly ways. For God is a judge of the whole world who will judge each and every individual, and will bless and punish everyone that does what is right or wrong. Whether you are Prophet Moses, Prophet Samuel, Apostle Paul or Nebuchadnezzar God will judge each one equally. God is not a respecter of persons, or does the judge of the whole world not know what is right? God asked Abraham. In the name of Jesus, every bad character in your life drops dead from today.

29. **“Mind the Words You Use Against Your Partner”**. Words have the power to build or to destroy, the same words have power to create happiness at the same time create anger, the same words have the power to create laughter at the same time create fights. Please, “mind your language”. Mind your language because marriage is meant for matured people. You can be an 18 year old boy or girl, and yet matured. Whiles you can also be 90 year old but not matured.

Please, grow up. Marriage is not meant for arrogant and bush people. Filter your choice of words before you release it against your partner. Ask yourself, if my partner speaks to me this manner will I be happy? before you release such words against him or her. In the name of Jesus Christ, may God give you understanding and wisdom to rule your marriage. Jesus is Lord.

30. **“Be Godly”**. God created all things but unto humans alone He created in His image. That is why God is the Supreme God, and we humans are the smaller or lesser gods, and not the idols and demons you see or hear off. Jesus said: “is it not written in your Law I said ye are gods and all of you the children of The Most High God? So we are gods and children of God. Every child takes the behavior or character and physical resemblance of his or her parents. That is how God made it from the beginning; He created us in His Image. God is Holy that is why we must be Holy. God said: be Holy because, I your God am Holy. Anything that is not right is wrong, and every wrongful thing is unrighteousness is a sin. From today, anything that is blocking your way, dragging your feet away from righteousness is cleared off your life in the name of Jesus Christ.

God is not only Holy, but Powerful and He wants you to be Powerful also as His Son or Daughter. That is why God’s Word said: “as many as received Him, He gave them power to become the sons of The Most High God”. That is why all Men of God are Powerful; Consider Prophet Moses, Prophet Joshua, Prophet Samuel, David, Solomon, Joseph, Abraham, Jacob, Isaac, Apostle Paul, Prophet Elijah & Elisha they were all powerful because they are sons of The Most High God.

God is not only Holy and Powerful, but a Ruler of the whole world and He wants you to become a ruler also. God is a Ruler, He has made His Son (Jesus Christ) a Ruler in Heaven and wants you also to become a Ruler through Christ Jesus. The Word of God says: “He has made us to sit with Christ in Heaven, far above principalities and powers, and rulers of darkness sited in high places”. When God created Adam and Eve, He gave them command to rule over or gain dominion over everything on earth which also includes satan the devil who has been cast down to the earth and to the sea. That is why satan deceived man to take man’s power from him. For it is written: “woe for the earth and for the sea because satan the adversary had been cast down to the earth, knowing he has a short time to be destroyed”. But thanks be to Christ who has made us triumph over the devil by the shedding of His Blood on Mount Calvary.

God is a Seer and wants us to also see. God is a Spirit, and also wants us to be Spiritual. It takes living a Spiritual Life to see. You can’t be walking after the flesh and expect God to open your eyes to see. Apostle

Paul was once Saul who was living a carnal life and Jesus met him on the way and blindfolded him. Anytime you lead a carnal life, you'll not be able to see. There's a difference between looking and seeing, you can be looking and yet not be seeing. But God knew He created you to see and not be mere looking. That is why God's Word said: "See, O ye blind, and hear O ye deaf" ...Isaiah 42:18. In the name of Jesus Christ, every blockage in your eyes and your ears that won't allow you to see is dropping off your life now in the name of Jesus Christ. And so shall it be. Jesus said: "anything that has not been planted by my Father which is in Heaven, shall be uprooted and destroyed", and so shall it be in your life in the name of Jesus Christ.

31. **"Learn to Accept Your Mistakes , & Try Not to Repeat it Again"**. In every educational program, subject or course students are bound to make mistakes unknowingly. That is why every teacher makes sure his or her students do corrections for marking so as not to fail in the terminal or promotional exams. Any student that refuses to do corrections will end up failing the exams, or engaging in examination malpractices because that student had refused to learn, and that is pride and stubbornness. And all these are the attributes of the devil, for he was proud, arrogant and stubborn. All who carry such attributes are children of the devil and not children of God, they are born of the devil and not born of God. Please, learn to accept your mistakes and say sorry to your partner when you go wrong. If you can't accept your mistakes and say sorry to your partner, you're very, very proud. And God resists the proud and lifts up the humble. And God is waiting for you to change, else He'll humble you and it will be very difficult for you to be lifted. For it is a fearful thing to fall in the hands of the Lord". May you wait for God to humble you in Jesus name. From today, every arrogant, pride, stubborn character in your life is destroyed in the name of Jesus Christ. For at the mention of the name of Jesus, every knee must bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus is LORD to the glory of GOD the Father in Heaven.

32. **"Be Forgiven when You are Wronged"**. Jesus gave a parable about a certain servant who was owing a King very huge amount and was supposed to be sentenced. The servant came to plead with the King to allow him enough time to pay the debt, and the King forgave him all the debts he was owing. This same servant met his slave that was owing him and asked his men to bind the slave, and send him to prison until he's able to clear all the debts. And the matter was reported to the King who asked His servant: "When I've forgiven you your debts could you not also have forgiven the debts of your fellow man?" And the King had him bound and sentenced to life imprisonment. So when you don't forgive men who sin against you, how do you expect God to forgive you when you sin against him? Be forgiven, and be forgiven in return when you also sin against someone. Yes, life is a mirror which gives you exactly the reflection of the actions you perform before it. Learn to forgive and forget. There's a difference between learning and studying. In studying, you engage in observation or sense of sight but in learning your whole body engages in the process. Learning is practical, otherwise you're not learning at all. By the Blood of Jesus, every satanic spirit that had hardened your heart and refusing you to forgive another is destroyed and chased out of your life in the name of Jesus Christ. And so shall it be in the name of Jesus Christ. Don't you also make mistakes?

33. **"Build Love & Respect For Your Partner Always"**. Love and respect are like plants, and therefore are cultivated to germinate into mighty trees. For every plant cultivation, you must get seeds before you ever think of planting. Sometimes the seeds are treated before planted for quick germination.

The soil is also nourished and prepared according to the type of plant that must grow on it, and the seeds are watered after planting to germinate, and weeds are uprooted in order not to compete with the plant for nourishment and growth till it bare fruits. In the same way, love is also cultivated. Seeds (or words) are planted, and before planting - you make ground preparations. If you're not yet married you find out and the partner you're interested is also single, you find out if he or she has somebody in mind to marry. If the person is already occupied, don't go ahead and plant your love seed on such ground to avoid future fights and competitions. You may end up hurting yourself; hurting your competitor likewise the one in the centre of the love may also be hurt or end up laughing at the love wrestlers. Please, respect yourself. Sea never dries and there're a lot of fishes in the sea to fry. "The Beautiful ones are yet to be born".

When the single fellow is empty, there you can plant your seeds and water it to germinate into a mighty tree. That is why love may start very faint at first and grow to become deep and deeper to the extent that if you see your partner talking to his or her opposite sexes, paint and jealousy sets in.

If you're in a marriage where there's no love, or one partner is not in love with her husband or wife, or one partners love is weaker than his or her partner – it means the devil is at work. People put up the same attitude to God himself, how much more humans? Some don't love God at all, others claim they love God by mouth proclamation and praises but their hearts are completely far away from Him. They love satan and material things than God Himself who created all these. That is why His Word has given charge and command to man: "You must love the Lord your God with your whole heart, whole soul and whole mind" and "You must love your neighbor as yourself" – to help those whose hearts are far away from Him, repent their hearts and cultivate the right spirit. So luck of love is a wrong spirit, and that spirit is from the devil because nature does not permit vacuum. "You're either driven by God's Spirit or the spirit of the devil no matter your profession, title or how many times you appear in God's presence". And until you resist that devil in you, he'll still remain and cause havoc in you and use you to cause havoc to others. "The devil in you will always give you many reasons why you should not love others, he can even use people to advice you. But God's Word says: "Beloved, let us love, love is of God". So shun or drive away that devil in you, and obey the Word of God. Obeying God's Word is obedient to God and that is a proof you fear and love God.

Disobedience to God's Word is disobedience to God. Anyone who disobeys God obeys the devil. You can't obey God and obey the devil at the same time. You can't be one leg in God, one leg in the devil. You're either for God or for the devil. And love is the fruit of God's Spirit, so if He tells you to love, obey without any murmuring. "There are so many things we see as normal or see nothing wrong with it, but ones they are not right in God's sight, it is a sin". In fact, "it is a big sin not to love God and your fellow man because these are the cornerstones of God's laws & commandments on which all laws, prophesies hung". Yes the greatest of all the laws is love. If you can preach for people to repent, if you can prophesy, if you have faith to move mountains, if you have the gift of healing, and you don't have love "God's Word says it is of no use and you are nothing". In fact, God does not know you and you don't know God even though your heart may perceive you know God and are in God by the miracles you perform.

Yes, Jesus will reject many people including men of God for the purpose that they have no love, they are selfish, envious, fornicators, adulterers, drunkards, money worshippers, murderers, marriage breakers, thieves, idolaters, satan's agents knowingly and unknowingly... 1 Corinthians 13:2 – 3, Matthew 7:22 – 23, 1 John 5:17; 1 John 4:20 – 21, Matthew 5:35 – 46, 1 Corinthians 6:9 – 10.

34. **“Always Make Your Partner & God Happy”**. God, your partner and yourself joined forces to initiate the marriage. So marriage is “like a Tripartite Joint Partnership Business” and spearheaded by God himself. That is why a kind of covenant is also a Tripartite or 3-Fold Covenant, which has been endorsed with your signature, your partner's signature and God's signature in heaven. And God is a covenant keeping God, that is why He said: “Have respect unto the covenant for the habitation of the world are full of cruelty” ... Psalm 74:20, and God also said: “My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that has gone out of my lips” ... Psalm 89:34.

So God wants you to be happy in the covenant, wants your partner to be happy in the covenant and also wants both of you to make Him happy both with this kind of covenant and in this covenant to put the devil to shame who is fighting you to laugh at God and put God to shame. In fact, that is the battle going on between God and satan concerning every marriage. That is why God said: “My son, be wise and make my heart rejoice that I may give an answer to my adversary” ... Proverbs 27:11.

So you have to or it is a must to make God happy and your partner also happy by paying attention to God's Word – the Holy Scriptures / the Bible. Learn how to talk and answer your partner. Talk mildly, answer mildly, converse mildly, ask questions mildly with your partner, God and your children. God's Word says: “an answer when mild, curb rage”. Always arouse laughter, crack jokes with your partner and make God, the Holy Spirit, Jesus, your spouse and yourself happy. Once God says “Be wise and make his heart rejoice” means that God too laughs, just like humans.

Your total happiness is tied to obedience to God's Word. As from today, anything that is sitting on your marital happiness and peace is cursed and destroyed from the root in the name of Jesus Christ. And so shall it be.

35. **“Keep Your Partner in God for God”**. Just like God's children go for evangelism to win souls for God, the devil himself and his agents are also going round evangelizing and winning souls for satan their master. They are not just winning for the devil, they're looking for God's children to devour or destroy. They're looking for people who will miss God's Kingdom, devising ways to make people miss God's Kingdom and join them in the “Lake of Fire that Burns with Sulpher”. So you must make sure you keep your partner in God for God, so that he or she would also enter the Kingdom of God with you. Whatever it will take you to win him or her for God, do it. But if he or she turns away from the truth and joins unbelievers, God's Word gives you the chance to divorce or leave him or her and re-marry another.

36. **“Keep Righteousness”**. Happy is the man that fears God, that delights in His commandment; riches and prosperity shall be in his house... Psalm 112:1 – 3.

Every boat faces attacks of storms on high seas. Jesus said: “the stumbling blocks must of necessity come”. Every stumbling block attacks are your days of examination which qualifies or moves you to higher class of life. If you fail in this day of adversity, your strength is too small and you’ll be grounded. It’s a jungle-warfare, it’s either you defeat the adversity or be defeated by the adversities. And it takes righteousness to shield your life and everything you possess so the devil won’t get the chance to penetrate your life and cause havoc. “Satan had tried and tried Job’s life and could not get him because God has shielded not only Job’s life but everything he has”. That was the question satan asked God: “is’t not because you have shielded his life round about, including everything he has? Remove the hedge and see if he’ll not curse you and die”. And God removed the Hedge or Shield from Job’s life and the devil had access to Job and all his properties and started causing havoc. He destroyed all his children, houses, animals and even attacked Job with boil. A onetime rich baron sitting on expensive chair to a sick poor man crawling on the floor like a worm.

The question satan asked God shows that the devil had tried Job, tried his children and wife, tried his mansion, tried all his cattle, sheep, goats, camels and all other belongings but in all attempts satan saw God’s hedge protecting all Job’s belongings. Do you know how many times the devil has been trying to destroy your life and your property? You have no single idea, you why you’re still safe today. It’s because of God’s protection, favor and mercies upon your life that has kept you alive. That is the power of righteousness.

“The prayer of the righteous avails much” God’s Word says. The prayer of the righteous has penetration power over the devil to reach God and come with positive answers whiles the prayers and sacrifices of the sinner, is an abominable thing before God. You can be giving thanksgiving offering, sacrificial offering, tithe but once you are not righteous it is waste before God’s eyes. Righteousness will shield your marriage from every satanic adversity in Jesus’ name. Anything resisting your life from practicing righteous life is finally terminated in the name of Jesus Christ. “Whosoever the stone shall fall upon shall be grounded to powder” the weapons of our warfare (one of which is the name Jesus) are not canal, but are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds. And so shall it be in Jesus mighty name. But don’t enter marriage because of material gains from your partner, you’ll end up frustrated or hurting your partner and if you hurt your innocent partner on this account God will judge you.

37. **“Don’t be Inviting Trouble from Outside for Both Partners to Solve”**. There are some people who’ll go and pick quarrels and fights from outside for their partners to solve. Others will also go and steal, chase after other people’s husbands and wives, destroy properties, gossip about people to ignite trouble for both partners to solve. “Please, if you’re fund of this behavior whiles reading this book – today must mark the end of that character and look-alike characters in Jesus’ name. All these are weapons of the devil to bring dishonor, shame and disgrace to your marriage contrary to God’s plan and original purpose of marriage. God’s Word says: “Let marriage be more honorable among all”. So you must be obeisance to God’s Word, and that is meekness. If you’re not guided or led, you’re misled. There’s no third party. Anyone who does not obey God’s command is not humble but arrogant, proud and stubborn like the devil and is a child and born of the devil. “He that is born of God, does not carry on sinning.

Listen, God's Word says: "All wrong doing is Sin"... 1 John 5:17. If it is wrong, it is wrong; and that is a sin. By the blood of Jesus Christ, I come against and destroy that character from your life and in your marriage now in the name of Jesus Christ. At the mention of the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow and confess that Jesus is Lord. God's Word will re-create your life and your marriage in Jesus' name. Amen.

38. **"Don't Overstep God's Marriage Laws because of Your Tradition"**. Some people are so tribalistic and traditionalistic that they carry that mentality to their marriage. Most of these traditions contradict with God's Word or God's order of marriage. I was once dating a Nigerian lady who narrated how weddings are done at her place, and that before I marry her I to go to her village and buy bead woven head gear, bead woven cloth and perform some rituals before I can carry her home. No need to make a covenant with God, and I withdrew from getting married to that lady.

Many marriages have broken down because of traditions. Marriage partners always trying to make their culture or tradition visible in the marriage which always result in quarrels and fights, because cultures and traditions are always dynamic. So one partner's tribal culture is always and would always be different from the other partner's tribal culture and even the culture he or she learnt at home. But please, don't over – step the laws of God because of your traditions. If your tradition or culture does not agree with God's Word, forget it. It is not from God, but from the devil. In some tradition, adolescent girls must naked their breasts, dance, eat mashed yam & swallow boiled eggs before they can marry. Else, according to the tradition, they'll not be able give birth when they marry. God's Word created everything including the devil himself who initiated these deceptive traditions, so if your tradition is not from God's Word but rather contradict God's Word – it is not from God. And if it's not from God and His Word, God's Spirit and heart does not back it but the devil's spirit.

39. **"Make Your Marriage A Prestige"**. "Let marriage be more honorable among all" God's Word says Hebrews 13:4. That means God cherishes marriage very well, and you must also cherish it and make it an honor and a blessing to be married. Because there are millions of people up there – who are looking for life's partners to marry. Visit facebook, the internet, watch TV programs and see. I was once invited to Global Revival Ministry and one man of God – Rev. Nanasei Sarkodie led by God's Spirit called a lady in front and asked her: "what do you want God to do for you, and she responded I need a husband".

So many children of God are going from prayer camps to prayer camps just looking for partners to marry. Others have engaged in relationships that have landed them in broken hearts, bitterness and pain till date and looking up to God to grant them the right partners. So your marital status or marital position is somebody's prayer point. Somebody wish to be there, crying to God, weeping every Morning and Evening. That is why you must respect your marital position and make a prestige and an honor to be married.

40. **"Use Your Marriage to Advertise God & Win Souls Into God's Kingdom"**. Many marriages are so dirty that it makes it unattractive for other's to get married. The bad characters and bad attitudes they exhibit in their marriages makes people wander, are these people really Christians at all? Their character

draws people away from coming to God's presence. And many had resorted to stay at home, give thanks to God rather than coming to God's presence. Many unbelievers and pagans tell others, as for Christians that is how they are. All that they know is going to church and look at their character. Many of them believe that is how they're taught at church. Is your Christianity questionable this manner by others? If that is your case, you need self-repentance.

Your marriage must reflect God's Word and glorify God. That Word of God directing your marriage is light. God's Word says: "And the Word became light which was the life of men". So God's Word (which is light) must become the life or lifestyle of your marriage. And this light (God's Word) shines in darkness, and darkness comprehended not... John 1:4 – 5, Psalm 133:1

Jesus also says: "Let your light shine that men may see your fine works and give glory to the Father which is in Heaven"... Matthew.5:16. This means that light can be created or terminated by you. You can choose to enlighten yourself and cause your light to shine or embrace darkness and cause doom in your life.

Let your marriage profess the attributes of God and of Christ Jesus, that men may see your fine works and follow you to serve your God. Your marriage must shine for people to give glory to God in Heaven. Your marriage must shine to make others that are fornicating, engaging in adultery change their evil ways and return to God who shows mercy and forgives in His own large way.

42. **"Be Thankful"**. You must always make it a habit to thank God at least 30 minutes before awakening from bed and before going to bed. You must keep this thanksgiving fire burning alive from the day you get married till you fall asleep in death. It is God that has given you this marriage, it is God that has given you the provisions you have as at now, it is God that has kept you alive and kept you in your current condition, it is God that has given you daily food, daily shelter, daily clothing, etc. That is why you need to thank God for our current situation. The Israelites refused to thank God for the manna He rained for them every day and God destroyed them. God has given some people life's partners, shelters to dwell in, food to eat, clothes to wear, jobs, good health yet they refused to Give thanks to God and glorify Him. God Himself said: "because they refused to give thanks to me, I shall destroy them and not build them up"...Psalm 28:4 – 5. 1 Thessalonians 5:18 says: "be thankful" and that is a command, and you must be thankful. Otherwise you can't go forward.

43. **"Don't Be A Marriage or Relationship Breaker"**. There are many singles that are looking for marriage partners but go around creating quarrels, fights and divorces in people's marriages. That is why they cannot marry themselves, even if they marry – their marriages too would break down. "Be ye not deceived, whatsoever a man soweth the same shall he reap". God's Word says: "What God has yoked together, let no man put asunder"... Mark 10:9. You can't be destroying people's marriages and expect your marriage or family to be joined together in peace. You can't break God's Command and not carry a curse. Whatever you do to someone's family, will reflect back to you. God is just in His dealings and will reward each and every one according to their deeds.

Many people fear witchcraft curse, satanic curse, curses from shrines and from men but take God's curse for granted. They don't fear God, but I'm here to let you know: "it is a fearful thing to fall in the hands of the Lord" ... Hebrews 10:31.

If God says: "what He has put together, let no man put asunder" and you disobey Him – you won't escape God's Sword. David who loves God so much and God also loved, once took somebody's wife, got her pregnant and had her husband killed in war. Even though God forgave David, God did not spare him of his punishment. God disciplined David very well. Another time David went to number the whole Israel which was against God's Law. Whiles David was ordering people to commit this offense, God was watching him. After he finished, God sent his Prophet to ask David to choose three punishments and he chose to fall in the hands of God, and God punished him severely for that.

May you not be among those Jesus will say to them: "I don't know you....you that have been cursed by my Father into everlasting flames with the devil, depart from me you workers of lawlessness". Many will not enter into God's Kingdom on account of breaking people's homes, families and marriages.

There happened to be a lady who goes round causing division in people's marriages. She later engaged in a relationship leading to marriage, and everything had been prepared for her marriage, invitation cards had been sent to invited guests. Almost three days to the wedding, the husband to be had impregnated another lady and never came back to even say sorry to her. Others have destroyed people's marriages and had married and are suffering from barrenness. And their husbands are going after other women. The same applies to the men. Others have married more than ten times and have divorced more than ten times because of this error, and they don't know the root cause of their predicaments. It is one thing, and it may sound sweet to break God's Law and it is another thing to pay the price of this sin. And it will cost you a lot to pay this price. It may take you several years to resolve this issue. So please, practice safety first.

I ones joined "Ladies Chat Room" on facebook and a lady was complaining about painful sex, and her husband don't mind. The ladies were advising her to leave the man and find her size, others says she should slap him, when I got signed in and quenched all their taught and warned them severely against such practices. I asked the lady to invite her husband and herself for counseling and asked them to go and study all animal race in their environment both male and female on this subject matter very early in the morning and in the evening, and on the internet before coming. They brought their reports and counseling begun from there, and today, they're happily married ever after. If this lady had obeyed their instructions, the marriage would have collapsed. Many men and women had allowed friends and outsiders to dictate bad formulas on how to move their marriages. "Woe unto you through whom the stumbling block comes, it will be finer for a hailstone be hanged on their necks and cast into the sea than for them to live", Jesus says. So warn yourself. Never become a marriage breaker and face God's Wrath... Zephaniah 1:3.

44. **“Marriage is Like A Car”**. Marriage is like a car. When the front tire is moving forward & the back tire is moving backwards, that vehicle would be stagnated until all the tires drive towards one direction. Many marriages have been stagnated till date this manner due to gross disagreements. Whiles one partner is trying to drive the marriage forward; the other couple is trying to drive the marriage backwards. So the marriage cannot gain forward movement nor backward movement.

As you know a stagnant car when stagnated for long weakens the tire springs and develops flat tires. Even stagnant water when stagnated for long start stinging. So many marriages have remained become rotten or facing dangerous problems because they are still at one spot. So you need to be in agreement always and be careful the direction you choose. If you drive your way into darkness and stumble before you now change direction towards the light. You must know that you’ve suffered bruises in the dark which may or may not take a longtime to get healed, plus you have wasted time in the dark which could have been added to your time in the light to keep you ahead. You don’t allow the devil to make you wayward.

45. **“Marriage is Like A Bicycle”**. Marriage is like a bicycle because it is driven by two tires, therefore if one of the tires is on break or stiff – there is no way the other tire can gain motion. So many marriages are stagnated this manner. Why? Because one of the couple’s heart is not organized right. Meaning one of the couple’s heart is really not in the marriage. This thing can be hidden for a longtime and cause havoc to the marriage for a longtime, unknown to the partner who’s heart is organized positively for the marriage. Please before you marry someone make sure you don’t force him or her, and don’t allow any family to force him or her into the marriage.

He or she may accept but because it is really not from a willing heart, you’ll end up like a bicycle who’s front tire is set to move forward but the back tire is on hold. You’ll end up dragging the bicycle instead of the bicycle moving at its natural speed. If it not from a willing heart, please don’t proceed with the marriage ceremony but withdraw. If you see a willing heart, you’ll know it by the fruit he or she bares. A mango tree does not bare rotten cassava as fruits except mango fruit. So by the fruits you shall know them.

46. **“Marriage is Like A Boat That Grows into An Unsinkable Ship”**. Many marriages may start as a small boat or canoe. But the marriage’s foundation is constructed well and the structures are built well, it can move from being a small boat into an unsinkable titanic ship. In the same way, it can also grow contrary wise from small boat into a very smaller boat. So marriages can grow bigger, crumble and diminish in sizes depending on how you build it.

47. **“Marriage is Like Flight”**. Every marriage is like flight, and every flight is supported by forces and at the same time – opposed by some forces. An Upthrust Force tries to lift the air vehicle upward whiles an auxiliary force known as Momentum helps the Upthrust Force to move the vehicle in the same upward direction. Another force known as Thrust Force pushes the air vehicle forward. So these three forces are the “supporting forces” or forces in favor of flight.

We also have Gravitational Force which is busily fighting the Upthrust and Momentum Forces to pull the air vehicle downwards to the earth. Another force known as Drag Force is also busily fighting the Thrust Force to pull the air vehicle backwards. So these other two forces are the “opposing forces” or forces against flight.

Flight is attainable when the “supporting forces” gain dominion over the “opposing forces”. That is why God’s Word says: “through the greatness of thy power shall thy enemy submit themselves”. So through the greatness of the “supporting forces of flight”, the “opposing forces of flight” are finally defeated and flight is attained. In the same manner – through the greatness of the “opposing forces of flight” the “supporting forces of flight” are defeated and the aircraft is grounded.

So you either fight and defeat or fight to be defeat, even when you choose not to fight, they’ll still fight you and push you to the ground. So you need to jerk up and fight for survival because enough is enough. Me. Let me tell you, if you choose not to fight today, you’ll go and meet the same fight another day or if you fight and run you’ll live to fight another day. So you better fight today and fight to the finale, and not fight half-way and run away thinking you’ve swerve only to come and meet the same fight another day.

When you refused to write an Exam at the University, the Lecturers will give you “Incomplete” and until you write that examination, you can’t be graduated. In the same way when you don’t finish writing an examination paper, you’ll be failed to come and re-sit the exams and pass well before you can be graduated from the University. And if you fail three subjects or a subject three times per Semester, you are totally exempted from the University to go home. May you not fail in your days of adversity. In school you write academic exams, after school you write life’s exams in a form of trials and challenges.

So you need to gather “Courage” like God told Joshua be “courageous and strong” because that is what you need coupled with God’s Word to defeat the forces that are opposing your marriage.

47. **“Marriage is A Union Between Two Families As Well”**. Marriage is not only a union between the married couples alone but it’s also a union between the two families of the husband and wife that have been joined in Holy Matrimony. That is why you’ll have father-in-law, mother-in-law, sister(s)-in-law, brother-in-law, and your children too will have maternal grandfather and grandmother, paternal grandfather and grandmother, uncles and aunties.

So if you’re about to get married to a partner, no matter how you love each other, make sure the two families are interested or have accepted the marriage before you proceed. Don’t go ahead if the family of either the man or woman are not interested in the marriage. No matter where you go and hide yourselves, you’ll one day come out. Birds can choose to fly higher and higher but they can’t fly forever, they’ll definitely perch on trees at night to sleep. So if you go ahead and any problem or anything happens to you or your partner, there you’ll see where power lies. If you’re really interested in the marriage, and the either of the families are not interested, you can talk to the families either yourself or through an elderly person on your behalf. If they won’t agree don’t do ahead with the marriage.

And when you're married always be at peace with your in-laws. Make sure that any fault that will arise should not come from your end or you're not the initiator. And you can consult in-laws who are just trying to make trouble for you or trying to make you engage in quarrels with them and sort things out with them. If they still continue, look for an elderly person to stand on your behalf. If they still continue, you leave them in the hands of God to take vengeance. In other to avoid trouble, avoid them. But you can greet them when you meet them and also pray for God to change them, and God will answer your prayers.

48. **"Honor Your Parents' Advice Before You Marry"**. If you're courting or dating someone for marriage and your parents advise you to desist from it, please obey them. Don't ignore their warning and go ahead and marry that person. God's Word says: "Obey your parents in the Lord, for this is the first commandment with a promise". What is that promise: "Longevity and Prosperity".

Jesus was at loggerheads with the Pharisees on this issue saying: "when God says honor your father and your mother, you people say if anyone disobeys his or her mother but gives them gifts or takes care of them he is under no obligation to this law, fools". So you can't say because you take care of your parents you can disobey them and do whatever you like. If you do that, you are invoking curses on yourself.

49. **"Don't Allow Parents, Friends & Outsiders to Break Your Marriage Covenant"**. It is true that your parents gave birth to you, and it is also true that you must honor your father and your mother that you may live long and that it may go well with you. But God's Word also says: "what God has yoked together let no man put asunder. And mind you, you made a vow to God until death do you part to love, respect, support and to cherish him or her in any circumstances till death do you part. Listen and listen carefully, "better is it not to have made a vow to God than to make the vow and not honor it". If you don't honor this vow, God will punish you very well. So please don't allow your friends and outsider, not even your parents to break your marriage. God will not charge you for that. God your marriage with all zealously.

FOUNDATIONS OF MARRIAGE

Foundation is the “bedrock on which all structures are built” and therefore marriage is a structure which needs Foundation to stand & attain its extreme heights.

CHARACTERISTICS OF FOUNDATION

1. ***Foundation is un-dodgeable***. Which means you can’t do away with foundation. Any building or structure without a foundation will collapse. If the foundation of anything is destroyed the whole structure will not stand. As far as foundation is concerned, we have good foundations as well as bad foundations. In the name of Jesus, any bad foundation that you have laid or has been laid for you is turned into good foundations by the Angels of Jehovah. Jesus said: **“a farmer went to sow wheat but in the night whiles they were asleep the enemy came to sew thorny weeds amongst the crops. So whiles the wheat sprung up, then the weeds also sprung up, and his workers came to ask their master: Master, did we not sow wheat? But look weeds have sprung up amongst the wheat. And he answered and said to them: An Enemy Did this”** ..Mat.13:1 – 9. So an enemy can lay bad foundation for you or sow evil in your foundation.

Jesus says: **“anyone who hears this sayings of mine & does them is like a wise man who’s builds his house upon the rock mass, and the rainstorm descends & his building did not collapse. But anyone who hears this saying of mine & does not do them is like a foolish man who builds his house upon the bare sand, & the rainstorm descends and the building collapses”** ... Matthew 7:24 – 27. Anything driving you away from Obedience to God is destroyed in Jesus mighty name.

Hence marriage cannot stand without a foundation, marriage cannot stand without a good foundation and that good foundation is Love, Equal Right and Unity / Agreement. These 3 are equally important & must be proportionally measured or balanced to make the foundation solid.

This shows that foundation is a mixture of certain ingredients or materials. Just like the foundation of every building rests upon a concrete mixture (or concrete slab) which is called in Ancient times: “The Rock mass”. It should be noted that if any of the ingredients is not in place, be it the cement, sand, stone or water, the building will collapse in future. In the same way “a marriage would collapse if any of these ingredients: “love, agreement / unity, equal right” is not in place. You need to mix them together in their equal proportion to form your marital foundation. As you engage in this practice in laying or repairing your foundation, your marriage will enjoy Divine Peace & Stability in the name of Jesus Christ.

Foundation is needed in everything we do. Foundation determines where you’re going (which answers the question of direction), foundation determines how far you’re going (which answers the question of final destination), foundation determines how well the structure stands (which answers the question of strength), and foundation determines how well you land (which answers the question of diligence, quality methodology & skills). Foundation is a true mirror or a true reflection of everything you see manifesting at the output. Just like the way you can’t expect to wave goodbye in front of a mirror and expect the image in the mirror performing a different action, in the same manner you can’t be laying bad foundation & expect the building to properly stand or achieve good results.

By the Blood of Jesus, anything destroying your foundations for marriage, anything destroying your marital foundations is destroyed in the name of Jesus. **“For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds”**. The Blood of Jesus and His Body was Sacrificed on Mount Calvary caused a gross darkness, great earthquake, rocks were split apart, the curtains in the Holy Temple was torn into two(2) from top to bottom, graves were opened and many of the righteous that were death resurrected.

From today, the Blood of Jesus will cause thick doom, great earthquake, divisions and tearing apart in the camp of your enemies in the name of Jesus Christ. And by the Blood of Jesus that flows from Mount Calvary, any good thing that have been tied up or buried or engraved in your life that is causing stagnation and freezing life, that grave is opened up from today and that good thing begin to resurrect for your sake to touch your hand, for the Passover Lamb (Jesus Christ) has been Sacrificed for your Freedom, the Price for your Liberty has been fully paid by the Blood and Body of Jesus Christ on Mount Calvary. You don't owe the devil any dime.

Receive your Marital Freedom in the name of Jesus Christ. Anything that is tying you down, anything that is caging your marital life down, I release the name of Jesus to grind them to powder in the name of Jesus Christ for it is written: **“the stone that the builders rejected which is Jesus) has become The Chief Cornerstone and whosoever falls upon that stone shall be broken, and whosoever the stone shall fall upon shall be grounded to powder”**. Anything that God has not planted in your life, any discomfort that you have planted or that has been planted for you that is troubling your marital life is uprooted now in the name of Jesus Christ. Hear this, “every manufactured product whether milk, Coca-cola or whatever has an expiry date. Canned milk, may have 2 years lifespan (or expiry date) but the moment you uncover it to the weather for 3 days, the milk will expire in that manner according to the kind of product and the power of the weather condition”.

In the same manner, every challenge orchestrated by the devil and your enemies has expiry dates and may have several years before expiring, but exposing and directing that challenge to the name of Jesus will expire instantly. For Jesus said: **“Whosoever falls upon that stone shall be broken”**. Therefore in the name of Jesus Christ, every marital challenge in your life is broken and Grinded into Powder now. God said concerning Himself: **“My Words that goes forth out of My mouth shall prove to be. It shall accomplish the purpose for which it was sent forth, it shall not return to me empty handed”**. So the promises in the Holy Scriptures by God and His Son (Jesus Christ) are sworn verdicts and sure words from Jehovah. It shall not fail but give to each one beyond what he/she asks God for. Mark my word.

2. ***Foundations are usually not attractive or foundations are ugly looking.*** When you enter a construction site and see the foundation, you can testify that it is not attractive at all. Even the construction site is not attractive at the beginning, until it is completed. But no matter how ugly your foundation may look like, it must be laid because foundation is undoable. The conditions of the foundations you're laying may not be favorable at all, it may be very sad and hurting but the result will be joyous. Foundation is seedtime, and seedtime precedes harvesting. And they that sow in tears shall reap

the harvest with great joy. It demands a lot of sacrifice, on one of the partners' part or from all the partners to make it happen. And you know sacrifice is always hurting but comes with great positive results. You give away your pain for a gain. You may lay a bad foundation today and be happy today, but end up laughing at the wrong side of your mouth tomorrow. You can't deceive yourself, whatsoever seed a man sows the same shall he reap.

3. ***Foundations are usually hidden.*** The foundation of every building is usually hidden in the soil. Planted seeds are always covered with soil. Why? To protect the seeds from seed consuming animals such as birds and rodents that will try to destroy or consume the seed before it germinate. Yes, there are so many bad people and devilish people around who'll always do their utmost to damage peoples' foundations. And you must not give them the chance to destroy your marital foundations. This foundation must always be laid first before marriage can work, or before one can think about getting married to a partner. No foundation, no marriage.

4. ***Foundations are always laid deeper.*** Building constructors dig trenches before pouring the concrete mixture, farmers dig holes before placing-in the seeds. In the same manner, marriage foundations must also go deeper. You don't lay the foundations of your building on the bare soil, else the effect of rainstorm against the building structure will lead the crumbling of the building because is a foolish foundation.

5. ***Foundations must be characterized by Thickness.*** The thickness of the foundation of every building structure, determines the number of floors to be built on it. If more floors are built on a thin foundation, with time and one day, the whole building will collapse. The depth of every root system determines the height of every tree. A tree with 10, 000 feet shoot system has a tap root of 1, 000 feet. If the shoot system scales to a height beyond this when it has not laid root system to accommodate the shoot system, the tree will one day and with time fall to the ground during a rainstorm or windstorm. In the year 2012, November 7th an Indian Shopping Mall (Melcom Plus) collapsed in Achimota – Accra due to the improper laying of the foundation of the building. Many human lives including shop attendants, shoppers and properties were lost in the process. The foundation must therefore be thick enough to carry the weight of the building structure itself.

Let God be found in the mixture of your foundation and let Him be the anchor and the pivot in your marriage, because without God you can do nothing. You are hopeless, powerless, a nonentity without God. When you tried on your own, how far did you go? Without God, how far can you run? How fast can you run without God? Please, humble yourself before God and He will lift you up. God rejects or resists the proud and lifts up the humble. In fact, God humbles the proud and lifts up the humble. Please, may you not be proud for God to humble you because it is a dreadful thing to fall in the Hands of God. If another person is wrestling you, people may rescue you from that person's hand. But if God Himself is wrestling you, who can deliver you from God's Hand? There're some people if you try rescuing them, God Himself will drop you dead. Because the person might have committed an error and God had asked Him or Her audibly or through His Word to go and beg for forgiveness or apologize, but because of pride he / she had refused and is under God's punishment. Who are you to rescue him / her from God's Hand? There was a

Church Worker at Winners Chapel International, Canaan land – Nigeria who stole two (2) of Bishop Oyedepo’s mattresses and went to marry. His marriage ended up in divorce, he re-married more than trice it all ended up the same way, everything he does proved unsuccessful. He went from Pentecost to Assemblies of God, from Assemblies of God to Christ Apostolic Church, from Christ Apostolic to Christ Embassy, and from Church to Church, and Prayer Camp to Prayer Camp, from pillar to post to get born again and turn a new leaf. And everywhere he went, God will speak through the men of God: “Return what you have stolen”. And he never mind, run away from that church and go to another, and get re-born again but face the same problems like the previous ones and hear the same message sent to him from men of God in every new church he attends to until he returned the two(2) mattresses before his life blossom forth. The Bishop was not even aware such mattresses had been stolen from him and the Bishop gave him the mattresses to go with it. “So God is not a respecter of persons, whatever He tells you to do - you do it without complain. For obedience is better than sacrifice”. It is well. As you humble yourself before God’s Word I see God repairing your marital foundations for you in the name of Jesus Christ. And so shall it be in Jesus’ name. Jesus is Lord.

So be ye not deceived, whatsoever a man sows, the same shall he reap. Don’t be taking things for granted, life is not a joke as you see it. If you joke with life, life will joke with you.

6. **Foundations Moves on Mirror Principle**: The output of everything are determined by the inputs or “input determines output”. So inputs are the foundations you lay, and the results you encounter are the outputs you see. That means foundation and its results operate on “the mirror principle” because every action you perform in front of the mirror, is the exact reflection you see inside the mirror. The foundations you’re laying is the actions you’re performing in front of the mirror and the results you see is the reflection you see inside the mirror.

No one smiles in front of a mirror and expects the image in the mirror to frown, no one stands in front of a mirror and expects to see a different image all together, no one dances in front of a mirror and expect the image in the mirror to stand still.

So watch out the ingredients you use to lay your foundations, it will reflect the same manner at the finale. You can’t deceive your foundation, because foundation has the final say at the results.

7. **One Foundation Can Be Laid, But Many Output Results**: Foundations are like seeds, and one seed can be planted, but many fruits will always be harvested each year. You can lay a powerful or strong foundation to contain many floors or many building structures. Many marital happiness and peace can be attained only and only if you lay the foundations properly.

6. **Foundation Determines The Height of Every Structure**: Foundations determines the height of every structure. The deeper the depth of the foundation and foundation’s thickness, the more structures it will contain at a goal. The deeper the depth of the root system, the taller the tree grows. The height or level of your marriage is determined by the foundations you have laid for the marriage.

7. **Foundation Determines Final Destination**: The foundation of everything determines how far you're going. An aircraft loaded with quarter fuel for its journey would end up crash-landing or land quarter-way along the journey. If you intended to land at Britain from Ghana but you landed at Burkina Faso, you were on the right path or right direction to Britain but you have landed at a Destination and not the Destination. Because you'll meet people who speak French instead of English.

If you don't lay your foundation properly, you will miss your target although you have taken the right road to the right destination. In the name of Jesus Christ, every foundation in your life that won't permit you to reach your destination is uprooted, and by the blood of Jesus Christ, the right foundation to your right destination is restored in the name of Jesus Christ.

8. **Foundation Determines Direction**: Foundation of everything determines direction, which answers the question where are you going? If the road to Jerusalem is North-East Ward and you decided to use a different angle, you'll land at a wrong direction and not the right direction. You will land at Jericho and not Jerusalem. In the name of Jesus, every satanic orchestration to make you miss your direction is destroyed out of your life by the blood of Jesus. You won't miss your direction in the name of Jesus Christ.

9. **Foundation Determines How Well You Land**: Foundation of everything determines how safely you land. Right foundations enforce safety precautions and therefore make you land effectively, if you don't lay proper foundations – you won't land well. Every aircraft that does not employ good safety measures when taking-off and landing would end-up crush-landing.

10. **Foundation Determines Your Speed**: When right foundations are laid, you gain constant speed. That is why some vehicles are of the same brand, same type but one may run faster than the other one. Why? Because the engines, spark plugs, fuel injectors and accelerators are new. You may have an old car with new engine that can run faster than a new car with an old engine.

Every river has its speed of flow, but when there are obstacles such as garbage, silts on the course of the river – the flow speed reduces. That is why it is advisable to excavate the river from garbage, silts to allow smooth flow. As from today, every obstacle on your way, causing go-slow in your life is destroyed finally in the name of Jesus Christ. And so shall it be.

11. **Foundations Are Repairable in God**: In the natural world, it is very difficult to repair foundations because you have to bring down the whole structure before re-constructing the foundation. And I tell you, no matter how righteous you are if your foundation is corrupted, your life and your expected end will also be corrupted. If your foundation is destroyed no matter how righteous you are, you can't get to your expected end unless you get connected to God who can fix the foundations for you and fix the building structure even without the need to pull down the whole building. "It is impossible with men, but with God all things are possible".... Matthew 19:26.

BUILDING BLOCKS OF MARRIAGE

After laying marital foundations, the next thing to look forward to is building the structure of the marriage. There have been so many builders who have laid their foundations 30 years ago and beyond but have not been able to build the structure of the building till date. Hence after laying the foundation, it is not enough to leave it there. You must build the housing structure upon it, otherwise – you are not moving forward. And to let you know, until you build the structures, there'll be no shelter or safety place to dwell in. Farmers don't just drop seeds into dug-out holes and leave it there; they cover the seeds with soil to protect it against seed eating birds, rodents and ruminants. The farmers also water the seeds and weed around the plant to prevent the weeds from competing with the plants for nutrients and for growth.

The building blocks of marriage which also serves as nutrients and water to keep marriage ever-green are:

1. SHARING: Marriage is a boat driven by 2 partners. It's like a boat driven by 2-cylinder engine and these 2 cylinders are the couples who make up the dual-drive engine. Hence taking-off one of the cylinders equals malfunctioning of the engine making the boat non-drivable, inefficient, and go-slow or lacking somewhere. Sharing means bringing what you have available for your partner and yourself to enjoy the benefits. So unless you don't have, you must share what you have with your partner if it is possible. You don't count your money inside the toilet and expect to enjoy that of your partner. That is not sharing. That is selfishness. There're some people who enter marriage with such selfish mentality, "my partner must always give me mentality". You yourself, do you give to your partner and how well do you give? Do you share with your partner what you demand from him or her when you also have the same or similar thing or do you hide it and enjoy it alone? If you don't share yours with your partner, don't expect him or her to share with you what he or she has. Are you sharing? And how willing are you to share what you have with your partner? And how well do you share? In fact, you don't need to be advised before you do this. Do unto your partner the way you always want him or her to treat you. For marriage is like a mirror which will give you the same action you perform to it. If you are not willing & don't like sharing with your partner, it will get to a time your partner will also not be willing to share his or her own with you and therefore not share with you because marriage is a mirror". If you dance before it, the image inside the mirror will perform the same dance before you. And remember, you are: "Spiritually One". So whatever bad attitude you put up will be picked by your partner as well depending on the strength of the foundation.

2. CARING: Caring means seeing to the well-being of another person. The role of a Nurse is to see to the well-being of a patient, treating the person in a way to make him / her take his / her attention away from the pain or ailment. That is caring. The role of an Air Hostess is to attend to flight passengers to make them shift their attention from the fear and dangers associated with flight. Marital Caring goes beyond Nursing and Air Hostess, because in this case "you are not being employed by a Hospital, Clinic or an Airliner – you're employed by Heaven and your Boss whom you are working for is God and not man". Your partner is like a Customer and you have to make sure your customer is always happy and truly satisfied to win him / her to your company or your side or lose him / her to another company.

There was a time in the History of Ghana that Government Transport was the only alternative Regional Transport but their Customer Care is bad even till date. Customers will come and sit for hours and there's no one to attend to them. Some of whom are on urgency but their voices do not carry them any far. Then in later years, some of the Customers after getting fed up – formed their own Bus Stations to challenge the public transport. The emergence of Neoplan Station, VIP Station, M Plaza came into existence who are collapsing government transport till date (14th June, 2015).

You're a Customer Care Officer, employed by God to Care for your partner at all cost according to your power to win him / her to your side for God and not for man. So marriage is a service or a stewardship rendered to God and not to your partner. So marriage is a "Service to God". He or she is also a soul that you have makes sure he / she abides in God & not go astray. So watch-out how you treat your partner, you will render an account on the judgment day concerning everything you do to your partner. "Do unto others what you want others to do unto you". So caring for each other must also be 50:50 ratios. Must you be advised before you learn to be caring? No, marriage is meant for matured people and not for boys and girls. We have people that are 18 years but are matured as well as we have people that are 70 years + but are boys and girls (or in other words: "they are not matured at all"). You don't only call your partner and ask about his or her well-being only when you're in need. You don't expect him or her to always be calling you, and even when you want to talk to him or her you always flush him or her. Be matured and serious.

3. KINDNESS: You must show compassion to each other when one partner is lacking somewhere. And this kindness should be on 50:50 ratio. You don't be selfish when it is your turn to show kindness to your partner. You don't need to be told or advised before you learn to show kindness to your partner, you must make it a normal life style. You must learn this lifestyle even before you enter marriage. "Soldiers don't train at the warfront or at the battle field; they train at the camps before entering the battle field".

4. KEEPER: The role of every goal keeper is to protect or prevent the football from entering into his / her net; the goalkeeper is also to stop his or her opponents from scoring his / her team otherwise his / her team may lose the match. You must learn to keep your partner from going astray because your partner is also a Son or a Daughter of God, precious in God's sight which God has given you to "keep for Him" and He'll come back and check how you're keeping your partner and claim this gift at the right time. Just like the way when you keep your goods or money in the care of a friend, you expect to come back and find the gift or money in good shape, that is how God will also be pleased to find how well you've handled your partner. But you'll be more happier and reward your friend if he or she makes the gift more better in shape than you gave it to him or will be happier if your friend invested the money to increase the value of the money for you. That is how God will also reward you if you make your partner better than the way he gave to you. You do this as a service rendered to God because it is a service rendered to God which comes with a reward... a reward from God himself. Serving God pays, you don't need to advice God before He knows He must reward you. You don't need to advice God before He knows how well to reward you. God will reward you of this service and reward you well if you render diligent and quality service of this kind. Protect each other against dangers. "You must be each other's keeper". You protect me, I protect you encounter, you watch my back I watch your back, you fight for me I fight for you. Marriage is like a mirror, whatever you do in front of it is what the marriage will give you. Fight for each other.

5. TAMING: There may be some characters or bad behaviors in your partner which are ungodly and which you don't like. There're even some marriages where one partner will always go and invite trouble for both partners to solve. At times, the behaviors may be due to each partner's background traditions or cultures, personal (or intrinsic) character or one acquired from the environment and from bad association. "But you don't overstep the Laws of God because of your traditions". Some bad characters may be gossiping, selfishness, unthankfulness, drunkenness, adultery, laziness, pride, stubbornness, hard-heartedness, bitterness, dirty talks, fighting, etc. You must always do your part by talking to your partner and advising him or her in a loving way to shed-off or lay-off certain bad characters, and most importantly praying a prayer of Faith for God (his / her creator) to change him / her positively. If He / She refuse to change, you consult His or Her Parents or a respected elder in the society to undertake counseling task on your behalf. But you can solve your problems amicably within yourselves if you allow God to step-in into the issue. You do this by prayers and asking Him for guidance and He'll give you the right answers or what to say to your partner to make him or her change. You can even ask God to go ahead of you and let His will be done in glorification of His Holy Name, and God will lead you and speak through you. You'll be surprise about the results you'll obtain, except your partner is an agent of the devil who won't listen for a positive change. But whether He / She is an agent or not, you can pray and God will arrest Him to change on your behalf. Trust God, He can do all things.

6. SEX: Sex is both a physical and a spiritual binder. So it is not only physical as you see it, but spiritual as well. It is a union between a man and a woman who're joined together in Holy Matrimony through intercourse. Sex does not only unite couples, it is also the process by which children are born. I was once engaging in counseling in my chat room on Facebook: NORMAN'S RELATIONSHIP & MARRIAGE COUNSELLING ROOM when a certain Pastor joined the room and started engaging in the discussion. He exclaimed: "I hate sex, I don't like it at all". And one lady responded to him: "then you're missing a lot". And I asked him this question: "How were you created? Were you hatched, carved or modeled?" He kept quiet. I told him, as far as marriage is concerned you have to like it. If your parents refused to engage in sexual intercourse how would you have joined us in this world. You can only hate sex if you're not married, but once you get married. Please, forget that thinking mannerism. It is foolish and stupid when you apply it in your marriage. The absence of it will cause adultery (or extra marital sex and extra marital affair), marital fights, marital separations and divorces we see of these days. Both men and women are equally guilty of adultery in this modern era in the absence of marital sex. Especially, the emotional partners.

It should be noted that sex is a game and every game is played with its own set of rules. Playing game without rules, is playing game to loose. No matter how you play football with your hands, you'll definitely lose the game because all your players will end up in red card and be drifted away from the football pitch.

It should be noted that Sex was created by God Himself, and everything created by God is meant to deliver true satisfaction and not mourning. So anyone who has anything against sex can go and question or blame God if only he or she has the guts to do so. You can't blame God for any marital sex woes, you blame yourself for that. Why, because you did not apply the rules of this game. Why won't you suffer such contingencies? Why won't you?

Sex is a nature's call you must attend to or allow your partner to attend to as far as marriage is concerned anytime he or she is in need of it. It is your God-given responsibility to attend to the sexual needs of your partner. God said through Apostle Paul: "Because of fornication, let each man have his own husband or wife". When you want to defecate, you can't hold on to the toilet for 24hrs and attend to it the next day so why put up such denial behaviors against your partner?

And if your partner goes around committing adultery, you accuse him or her of offense? Listen, if you deny your partner sexual needs you are worse than an unbeliever. God's Word says: Anyone who cannot cater for his own is worse than an unbeliever. And if God says you're worse than an unbeliever, and the unbeliever would not have access to God's Kingdom where do you fall? "Not everyone saying to Jesus Lord, Lord will enter into the kingdom of heaven, but the one doing the will of God (the Father) who is in heaven". It is the will of God that couples respond to the sexual needs of their marriage partners anytime they're in need of it.

So you have to train your heart, mind and body to like sex and respond to the sexual needs of your partner anytime he or she is in need of it. You don't deny him or her, or give any excuse for it at all because by reason of giving excuses many partners that are denied sex have engaged in extra-marital affairs and adultery. There's this worldly saying: "it is good to have a farm and many gardens aside so that when the main farm is not producing food at the exact time of need, you tend to the other gardens for food". Yes, many couples who were very devoted Christians before they entered into marriage have fallen victims to extra-marital affairs and committed adultery this manner. And mind you God will not only punish the offender for this, God will also punish the partner who denied his or her partner sexual needs that led his or her partner to commit such an offense against God. Marriage is a Service to God, so do it for God. Except you love satan, and are a son or a daughter of the devil.

Those who experience painful sex should consult a therapist, counselor or Doctor to see them through. This problem is normally encountered by women some of which may be due to vaginal wounds unattended to which needs medical treatment. As a responsible woman or man you should check all these health issues before getting married. Other pains may be due to size of the manhood, which can be addressed by proper female stimulation or foreplay. Observe sheep, goats, dogs, they all apply foreplay before sex. Please, learn from nature. Nature speaks. Positions that will encourage friction on the G-Spot (located behind the clitoris) should be tried for beginner ladies or ladies with tight vaginas who complain of painful sex to arouse their excitement. Else, you'll get discouraged and one partner may tend to play away game. The clitoris must also be well stimulated to make her wet, and penetration must start slow till it becomes faster esp. for virgin ladies. Learn from dogs, goats and sheep, let them teach you tricks.

Most at times, after birth men complain of not enjoying sex because their partner's vagina tends to expand too large. If your husband complains of this, I think you must do something about it. For a simple exercise, it is technically advisable for her to hold on to urine tight for some time before going to release it. This simple exercise will help contract the vaginal walls back to normal.

Some ladies also complain of the smallness of their partner's manhood which is also another problem. Leading to adultery by the woman. Many Christian literature shy away from all these, but it must come to the lime-light to help bind couples together instead of tearing them apart. If your wife complains of this, I think you must also address this problem for her to also enjoy. You may try an enlargement exercise every morning and evening using honey blended with garlic to stretching the manhood from the base to the tip to keep growing fuller and thicker to the size your partner will enjoy, then you stop.

If you want to grow muscular, you engage in weight lifting exercise; if you're obese, you engage in slimming exercise; if your stomach is too big, you engage in stomach exercise. In the same manner, you can engage in reproductive organ exercises to increase or decrease sizes of the organs according to the likeness of your partner before things get out of hand. Many adultery, marital separations and divorces had occurred because these areas were unaddressed. This book is covering all areas. Sex was created by God not only for reproduction but for enjoyment. That is why many people both married and unmarried commit fornication, adultery on this account. It's time to push all such people into marriage and make it enjoyable and more honorable as God expects it to be. So God will always be happy and not angry at us.

Sex as you all know was also created by God for reproduction. And God gave Adam & Eve a command: "be fruitful, multiply and replenish the earth. Every commandment from God must be adhered to. That is why barrenness must be eroded out of your life to every barren woman and impotent man reading this book. God says "be fruitful, so you must be fruitful". This commandment is written down for you to read it and adhere to the command, not adhere to barrenness or potency. God told Habakkuk: "Write the Vision that he may run that reads the Vision"... Habakkuk 2:2 – 3. So this commandment is God's Vision for man, and Visions are for runners and not for sleepers or sluggards. God's Word also says: "many are the children of the barren than the woman that has given birth, lengthen thy tents, lengthen its ropes for you're about to break forth on every side"... Isaiah 54:1 – 4. This is God's Word.

"In the beginning was The Word"...John 1:1, so God's Word begun everything and will continue to begin everything. And this Word became Light...John 1:4. So God's Word is light and every barrenness or impotency is darkness. This light shines in this darkness (that is whether barrenness, impotency, HIV, Unemployment or Poverty) and these darkness cannot comprehend...John 1:5. Through Him (the Word) God made all things; there was nothing in all creation that was made without God's Word... John 1:3. So without God's Word, nothing can be created or re-created. So human spare parts are in God's Word.

Let us begin with God's Word, God's Word says: "at the mention of the name of Jesus, every knee must bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus is Lord"...Philippians 2:10 – 11. God's Word also God's Word says: "they overcame by the Blood of the Lamb and by The Words of their Testimonies. God's Word also says: "The Stone the builders rejected has now become The Chief Cornerstone and whosoever falls upon that Stone shall be broken into pieces and whosoever the Stone shall fall upon shall be grounded into powder"... Matthew 21:44. God's Word also says: "this is The Victory that overcomes the world, even our Faith". These are the Weapons of Warfare for God's Children. And God's Word says: "The weapons of our warfare (which are Faith, The name of Jesus, the Blood of Jesus, God's Word, the name Jehovah) are not

canal but are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds... 2 Corinthians 10:4. Therefore in the name of Jesus Christ every I uproot every root of barrenness, impotency, unfruitfulness, poverty out of your life now – by the Blood of Jesus Christ. So shall it be in Jesus’ name. In the name of Jesus Christ fruitfulness, potency, prosperity and forward movement is your portion in Jesus mighty name. And so shall it be in Jesus’ name. Amen. Every satanic force standing on your way to the fulfillment of God’s commandment to be fruitful, that devil and satanic force is eroded out of your life in Jesus’ name. Amen. In the name of Jesus Christ, you will be fruitful and give birth to your Children. So shall it be.

7. SACRIFICING: Sacrifice is a painful act that results in great expected end. You must learn to sacrifice for one another. That is part of the vows you concluded or made to God and to your partner under the marriage covenant. “You made a vow to God, to your partner and yourself to be with your partner whether in sickness and in health, richness or in poverty, to love, cherish and adore your partner till death does you part”. And I’d like you to know that this covenant you made is like choosing a school program and the vows you made are the various subjects under the program. At the end of the program, you undertake an examination. That is how you would be examined under these vows you’ve chosen. And mind you, examinations come when you’re about to skip to a higher realm. Nobody passes an examination when he or she has not well prepared to face the subjects.

You can’t move from class one to class three without writing and passing exams. If you fail, you’ll repeat the exams. So anytime you’re about to skip to a higher realm, always prepare for storms or prepare to pass through the fire. We don’t refine gold in fridges, do we? And neither do we refine crude oil in fridges; but are all refined by fire. And you can bare witness with me that the higher the firing temperature the more refined gold is, or if it were crude oil - the higher its fuelling and speed capacity.

These examinations normally comes to strip married couples off certain bad characters they’ve been indulging in for quite some time contrary to the vows they made to God, to their partner and to themselves. And just like how after marking an examination, it will expose whether the student in question is doing well or not. That is how challenges or storms will expose the true colors of all married partners. He or she that has an ear let him or her hear.

As to whether a couple or all the couples are really faithful to their vows, everything will be exposed both in black and white and in colored over here. The devil is looking for opportunities to penetrate your marriage and course havoc like he made Adam and Eve to lose their Glorious Life in The Garden of Eden. Some of you people, it is because of the mercy of God on your life that is why “His Hedge over your life is not broken”. And you won’t drop that dirty character. The day God’s Hedge over your life breaks off, that is where you’ll see that the devil doesn’t respect your title on that day – whether you’re a Prophet, Pastor, Evangelist, Bishop, Chorister, King, Queen, Director – General or CEO, the devil will disgrace you on that day and God will allow the devil to do so for you to change. So please check your character before it checks you. May God grant you self-sacrificing spirit for your partner and your children in Jesus’ name. Amen.

8. SELFLESSNESS: One of the building blocks of marriage is selflessness. Selflessness is caring for another. Selflessness is leaving your own needs to attend to the needs of others. Do you have this kind of spirit? If you don't have it, then you miss it. Every selfishness comes from the devil and not from God. You always want to be pleased; must your partner also not be pleased? There are some people, the only time you see them drawing close to their partner is when they are in need of something and afterwards – they don't know their partner again until they are in need again before they'll resurface. That is selfishness.

A selfless person will always call his or her partner whether or not he or she is in need of something. If the only time you call your partner to ask of his or her well-being or how he or she is feeling was because you're in need, then you're a selfish fellow. That is the spirit of the devil. I've met lots and lots of such characters who'll call and ask of my well-being only when they're in need because that is the time, they'll tell you their problems at the end of the talk. And after the problems are solved they disappear and only thank you for what you did for them the next time they're in need. That is selfishness. Consider yourself and drop off these characters immediately. God hates these kinds of characters, that is why selfish people cannot enter God's Kingdom Matthew 25:31 – 44.

If you really, really care for your partner it will show. "By their fruits, you shall know them.

9. CARING: One of the building blocks of marriage is caring an action word from the word care. Caring is showing true affection for others and seeking the well-being of others. This care must be present continuous, which answers the question why I used the word caring. You don't have to care about others because were advised to do so, you have to know it. It must become the tradition or culture. Must you be advised before you know you have to care for your husband or wife and children? That is why God's Word says such people are worse than unbelievers.

A lot of people only care about themselves and their children only, and not their partners. That is why they'll always be division at home. After you have gotten the children you need from him or her, you don't know him or her anymore? All these are selfishness and a spirit of the devil. Such people are enemies of God, to tell you – it is a sin before God. In fact, if you practice such behaviors and bring an offering to God – you annoy Him. God says: "the sacrifices and offerings of the sinner are abominable to Me"....

So you can't bribe God with your offering. That is why Jesus says: "if you're bringing an offering to God and you remember you have an issue with someone, leave your offering before the alter and go and settle the issue with the person before delivering your offering". Why because, this issue will render your offering void – in other words, you won't obtain any blessing out of it if you give the offering when you haven't settled your issue with the person. Many people have paid sacrificial offerings, thanksgiving offering, tithe offerings for years and are not seeing the benefit of it. This is one of the areas that are hindering the blessings that should protrude out of their offerings. So the "Prince of Persia" resisting the answers to their prayers and offerings is they themselves.

Caring for your partner is one of the fruits true children of God should exhibit. This is love, and by this all may know that you are Jesus' disciples.

Take a look at a Shepherd like David – he always takes his father’s sheep to grace lands to pasture, he keeps them away from feeding on dry brown grasses but on fresh green grasses, he provides water for the flock to drink, protects the flock against predators (such as lions, bear, wolves, etc), brings them back home safely and provides food for the flock in their pens during winter time. That is caring. No wonder God loves David so much. David was after God’s Heart and loves everyman as well. He was a generous man and not selfish.

Take a look at a Shepherdess like Rachel – she always take her father’s sheep to grace lands to feed on greener pastures, directs the flock on the right path, provides water for the flock to drink, brings them back home safely and provides for them in times of snow. Not only that - when Abraham’s servants were proceeding, she quickly went to clear the lid of the well, fetched water to quench the thirst of all of them including their camels. That is caring. She does not care only for her needs, but the needs of her father and the needs of others. No wonder she was Isaac’s favorite for a wife. And Isaac had to work for 14 good years to marry Rachel. Yes. Are you caring? And how caring are you? Please, check yourself.

You must not only be caring for yourself and your partner and children alone, you must also care about God as well. Remember He is your Creator and one of the three parties in your marriage who also partook in signing the covenant. You can’t be always coming to God and not do anything for God. That is selfishness. They only come to God when they’re seriously in need or seriously in trouble before you see them thanking God for what He has done for them the previous time. Some even won’t thank God, they’ll just go straight away and place their demand from God. And when they don’t see answers, they blow all manner of tongues, commanding things to happen, binding the devil – yet no results. Consider your ways, selfish people. Consider your ways. After God answer their prayers, they’ll disappear again never to appear until another trouble comes in.

Some have been in Church always praying and yet never seen results because they are not serving God. In God’s presence, praises is different from sacrifice, sacrifice is different from service. If you haven’t done anything for God, you have not yet served God. To serve God you must Evangelize for God which is everybody’s task as a child of God, and you can join the Prayer Team – praying for the advancement of God’s Work, join the Sanctuary Group or join any service group. Then you’re serving God. God says: “If you obey and serve me, I shall bless your bread and your water. And take sicknesses and diseases out of thy midst”. God’s Word also says: “if they’ll be willing and obedient to serve me, they shall spend their days in prosperity and their years in pleasures”. So caring for God pays and God will pay you very well for that.

10. GIVING: Yes, giving is one of the major building blocks of marriage. And this giving must be present continuous in the development of every marriages. This giving must not be one-sided. It must be from both parties. Some people give and give and give, but have never seen their partner giving anything to them. And they also stop giving. Why won’t he or she also stop giving you? God’s Word says: “give and it shall be giving unto you”. If your partner gives, and you don’t give – how do you expect him or her to continue giving you? Watch out the negative characters you show up to your partner, it will reflect on you the same way you did to your partner. Marriage is like a mirror, so don’t give satan the chance to use these characters to destroy your marriage.

11. UNITY: Jesus, during His last days on earth prayed a prayer to God: “that they all may be one”. Unity is talking about different things that are joined together. I once watched a movie on 300 Spartans. They were soldiers that were so united – they have one mind, one spirit, one target even to the point of death they refused to be divided and refused to surrender.

Unity is strength. “One man shall put a 1, 000 to flight but two men shall put 10, 000 to flight”. You must all agree on one thing and move forward. But you must be careful the direction you two (2) have chosen to pursue. It will be a great pity for you people to jump from darkness to light, or see darkness and light on a beam balance and choose the road to doom. Only to stumble on the way, bump your head against unseen structures and suffer bruises. Many have ended up that way for a longtime; it’s time to put away pride and come back home. By the Blood of Jesus Christ, anything that is disorganizing the unity of your home is finally destroyed in Jesus mighty name. So shall it be.

When you pull a spoke of a broom, it is very easier to break but when you gather several spokes together it is difficult or hard to break.

DESTRUCTIVE ELEMENTS OF MARRIAGE

After we've dealt with the building blocks of marriage, we need to talk about the destructive elements of marriage; or things that destroy marriages. Some of these elements are like Bulldozers since they'll quickly destroy your marriage, while other elements are like Block Hammers which destroy marriages at a slower pace. Whether a poison is a quick one or a slow poison, it'll still achieve the same destructive effect. Except that the slow poison may not be detected unless it has finished delivering its assignment or purpose for which it was sent forth. The major destructive elements of marriages have been arranged in order from the greatest to the smallest. Namely:

1. ADULTERY: Adultery is the major destructive elements in marriages. This destructive element is permitted by God as the only ground for divorce... Matthew 5:31 – 32. Adultery is a very disgraceful act. May you respect yourself and not allow yourself to fall into such shameful act. Such people have been possessed by the devil so much that, they don't even feel anything wrong about that. The devil will tell them, don't mind these people. They're so corrupt and canal beyond expected. All such behaviors are the work of the devil possessing and control you. You're no longer possessed by The Holy Spirit but controlled by satan, because you have grieved The Holy Spirit out of you.

Some people are lured into adultery by bad friends or bad co-workers. If anyone should try luring you into such sin, shun their company. God's Word says: "bad association spoils useful habits". You can't challenge God's Word because all things were created by God's Word, so if God's Word says so – so shall it be. You don't need to think twice, just separate yourself from those bad people.

Others are also due to sexual starvation. Some marriage couples practice this bad behavior of sexually starving their partner (or sexually denying their partner), and one partner have no choice except to look elsewhere. So he or she won't be disturbing you again for you to bluff him or her. Anytime you do that to your partner and he or she goes into sin, you're guiltier of sin than your partner because you are the root cause of this sinful act. Many children of God have missed their tracks on this account. They think they're righteous on this account, but will miss God's Kingdom on this account.

2. SELFISHNESS: Selfishness has become one of the major destructive elements in marriages. Due to this satanic acts and corrupt mindsets by satan, many marriages have landed on the rocks. There are people who want things for themselves only. They must always benefit from others, people must always care for them but they don't care about others. That is selfishness - The spirit of the devil. Some have decided that, they'll never spend a dime on their partner. Their partner must always spend on them. They won't even spend a dime to call their partner; they always expect their partner to call them. Even when they want to talk to their partners, it's flushing all the way. And all the discussion is about demanding and asking galore. The devil has ruined a lot of marriages by these bad characters because marriage is like a mirror, and every negative character you show up if you don't stop. It will definitely bounce back to you yourself. These negative behaviors drive away The Holy Spirit and allow the devil to use partners to play games, and destroy the marriages. I curse every selfish spirit in your life now in the name of Jesus Christ.

3. PRIDE: Pride is one of the three most destructive elements in marriage. It is a very dangerous spirit of the devil. It is the direct opposite of humility. If you're not humble, then you're proud. Anyone who does not obey God's Word is proud. There are people when they wrong their partner, they would never accept their mistakes. But when the same behavior is done against they expect an apology from their partner. That is pride. They will never humble themselves to God's Word; never humble themselves to corrections and even when they know they're wrong - they'll never say sorry to their marriage partner.

I really believe that if the devil would have gone to say sorry to God or apologize to Him, God would have forgiven Him by now but because of pride satan will not go and apologize but rather added many people to be destroyed and still engaging in that business. Ask yourself, why haven't God destroyed satan by now? God loves everyone the same way and punishes everyone the same way. God has still given satan life but has refused to praise God and thank him for that. That is how those who are satan's children also are. And God and pride does not agree because God is Light and pride is darkness. They can't agree together. So "God resist the proud, and gives grace to the humble"... "God humbles the proud, and lifts up the humble"... If God has not worked on your pride, you better change before He strikes because it is a fearful thing to fall in the hands of the Lord... When God humbles you, no amount of prophesy, prayer and fasting can lift you except God Himself show you mercy. God cannot guide the proud. The meek will He guide, not the proud. No wonder a lot of people are blind-folded because they are not led, they lead themselves or are deceived by the devil. Proud people always look down on people. Proud people always get annoyed when you tell them their faults or wrong. They can even do it hypocritically but the meek or humble one will accept his or her faults. In the name of Jesus Christ, I curse and come against the root of every pride in your life by the Blood of Jesus Christ. Amen.

4. STUBBORNNESS: Stubbornness is also another dangerous destructive element in marriage. Stubbornness is simply going contrary to laid down rules, regulations and laws. And that is disobedience. Some people will never follow the truth when you tell them. They'll go and hit the wall they come back to their senses. "I remember I ones advised some young ones not to eat food at a particular place due to what I saw". Whiles everybody obeyed one girl disobeyed and the case was reported to me. I warned her and warned her but she refused to adhere until the devil revived her asthma. And another lady nearby her house, saw her in a death coffin. She later vomited, but she's coughing and coughing till date. I later invited her to now understand what I saw before she listened to instructions.

This spirit of stubbornness is a spirit from the devil. That is why Jesus says: "He'll separate mankind like a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats". When that spirit enters you, you may take life as a joke or be arrogant and do contrary to the warnings you've heard. But when they problem comes you'll be affected and you'll put your partner in great panic. All because you're stubborn, an obedient person will always pay attention to wisdom and instructions.

5. BITTERNESS: Bitterness is a very dangerous "time bomb" which causes marital separations and divorces. Bitterness normally erupts when your partner keeps wronging you, and keeps on reviving the same wound or scar whether or not you warned your partner.

Especially when he or she has wronged you or keep on wronging you and have refused to apologize. This wound can grow into a very large one in your heart, and it's response is very dangerous. Most of these marital brutalities and murder cases by one of the partners is caused by bitterness. This year in Ghana – a University lady student splashed acid on the face of his boyfriend who damped her, and she bolted into thin air. Last three years – the wife of a policeman poured hot water on her husband whom she suspected of chasing after other women leading to her arrest. So many men had reportedly butchered their wives both with axes and cutlasses due to gross bitterness they couldn't contain any longer.

Bitterness usually results from so much pain in the heart beyond the capacity of the host in question. Everyone has his or her patience capacity. And when patience is tried beyond necessary, one day they'll be explosion. Resulting in insults, accusations, fights and so on.

6. HARDHEARTEDNESS: Some people's hearts are too hard to talk of. The Pharisees asked Jesus: "why did Moses give us a divorce certificate?" and Jesus answered them: "Moses gave you a divorce certificate because of your hardheartedness. But from the beginning it was not so". All these spirits are spirits of the devil. When it enters you things that do not call for provocations will anger you, even when everybody is joking and laughing – you are annoyed or angry. That is the spirit of the devil. We don't enter marriage with hardheartedness, stubbornness, selfishness and pride. If you don't listen to your partner, how do you want your partner to listen to you.

As from today every spirit of hardheartedness, stubbornness, selfishness and pride is finally ejected out of your life in Jesus' name and the spirit of humility, meekness, selflessness, obedience replaces your heart right now in Jesus' name. Amen.

7. CHOICE OF WORDS: Words are spirits, they can enter into you and cause destruction or repair your life; words can bring you joy or sadness; can bring you curse or blessing. Because "death and life lies in the power of the tongue, and those who love it must eat of its fruit".... Some people don't know how to talk well at all. Please, mind your words or mind your language. Yes, mind your language. Always look before you leap or reason up the choice of words in your mind, weigh it and filter it before you release it from your mouth. "Your words determine the kind of person you are within". As to how bad or good you really are is determined by the words you release from your mouth. God's Word says: "out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks". Some people have innocent face, nice body and behave nice to people but the way they treat their spouses and children and even their parents is completely opposite.

If you happen to tell people, they won't even support you – but they're very bad inwardly. These are wolves in sheep's skin. They are true hypocrites. They are Pharisaic in nature. Jesus was always against the Pharisees because of hypocrisy. Please check your heart, check your mind, check your mouth before you release words. For "not what enters a man defiles a man, but what comes out of a man". Out of it, you shall be judged and condemn. May God discipline your heart, tongue and mouth for you before you release words in Jesus' name I pray Amen. Alert your partner politely not harshly when he or she uses any words that hurt your feelings. And always take these 3 words as medicine: Please, Sorry and Thank You. They're master keys to every door.

8. MISUNDERSTANDING: Misunderstanding or lack of understanding had led to lots of marital provocations leading to lots of marital separations and marital break downs. Misinterpretation of words by lots of marriage couples is another lack of understanding that is destroying marriages like bush fire in dry season. If you misunderstand anything your partner says, please go and resolve everything amicably with him or her and not grudgingly.

Understanding is very vital because understanding is being enlightened. Without light you'll remain in darkness till death do you part. I pray that "the eyes of your understanding be enlightened" in the name of Jesus Christ. That is the seeing eye. We have "the looking eye" and "the seeing eye". You can be looking and looking, but may not see. God says concerning such ones: "they have eyes but they cannot see, they have ears but they cannot hear". We have the looking eye – the fleshy eye (or the first eye), and the seeing eye – the spiritual eye (which are of two fold). For the spiritual eyes – we have insight (or the second eye) – a sight hidden which is used for discernment and seeing into a matter. And we have foresight (or the third eye) – a sight in front of the second eye which is used to see ahead of others or ahead of every matter.

By the Blood of Jesus, every veil and every blockade blindfolding your spiritual eyes is destroyed now in the mighty name of Jesus Christ. And so shall it be in Jesus mighty name I pray.

9. DISRESPECTFULNESS: Disrespectfulness is one of the major elements that destroys marriages world wide. Disrespectfulness is gross indiscipline. Some people don't respect anything at all and they enter marriage with this kind of behavior. Some people learn these behaviors from their parents and family, because their family doesn't respect anything at all. You need to advice such family members with those bad characters to change and not allow them to corrupt your good character into a bad one. Others acquire disrespectfulness from the kind of friends they move with.

Please, check the kind of friends you move with. For "bad association spoils useful habits". That is God's Word and God's Word cannot be broken. You need to change them from negative to positive, if they won't change and still want to corrupt your thinking pattern – disassociate yourself from them.

Other people just decided or advised themselves to be disrespectful because the devil had entered them. Just as we have the fruits of the Holy Spirit which is: Love, Meekness, Humility, Kindness, Caring, Selflessness, Self-Sacrifice, Holiness, Faith. The fruit of the devil's spirit is: Hatred, Bitterness, Selfishness, Pride, Disrespectfulness, Stubbornness, and all forms of wicked acts and wicked thinking mannerisms.

Some people entered marriages as angels and later starts showing their true colors. If you have such a character, drive it away from your life in prayers using "the name of Jesus and he will go. "resist the devil and he will flee from you". Learn to respect yourself, respect God and His Word, respect your partner and respect others. There are some people who show respect to outsiders but they don't respect their partner.

You don't become a hypocrite who cleans the outer part of the vessel while the inner part is dirty. Some of these people too are in Church, and they claim they respect God, respect men of God, but they don't respect their married partners. Listen if you don't respect your partner, you don't respect God. Whatever

negative attitude you show to your partner, you did it to God. Saul taught he was harming the Christians but Jesus told him point blankly: "I Jesus Christ of Nazareth am the one you're harming". If your partner is sick, naked, hungry, in prison and you did not attend to him or her, you have denied it to Christ Jesus, and have denied God. For as much as you did not do it to your partner... Matthew 25:31 – 44.

Please and please, learn to use these three words everywhere you go and every time of life: Please, Sorry and Thank You. You can survive anywhere with them. I call them the master keys of life. You must drink these words as all medicine. Characters can be planted in your life like seeds, and cultivated to grow. There're some people who show respect to others in front of their parents. So their parents see them as good boys and good girls, but their hearts are totally opposite. These are false pretenders. False pretenders can even show respect in your presence, but when you leave they insult and say all manner of things behind you. That character must drop-off your life in the name of Jesus Christ. If you show respect, humility and selflessness to others – it doesn't mean you're stupid or a fool. It is only the devil that will tell you, you're being stupid and a fool. Please be careful the way you treat your partner and others. In the name of Jesus every disrespectful character in your life is destroyed from the root. And so shall it be in the name of Jesus Christ.

10. MARITAL FIGHTS & QUARRELS: Marital quarrels are destructive elements that sometimes result into fights and brutalities. Most of these quarrels when you trace the root cause, generated from simple issues such as: what to eat, clothes to wear, etc. Whiles others may result from accusation of selfishness, cheating, marital irresponsibility or bad advises from friends and relatives and marriage breakers. If your dressing is not of the best and your partner complains and advise you to change must this call for quarrelling? If you always like a particular food and your partner and children like a different food, should this call for quarrelling? Why don't you people prepare foods for everybody's preference? Or if you can't do that, you can train one partner or the children to get adjusted to one kind of food today so that you prepare and eat the other partner's food tomorrow.

Learning to adjust to each partner's choice of preference and adapt to it, coupled with patience and tolerance are some of the attributes marriage couples must learn in marriage. Birds don't chirp all the time neither do they fly all the time nor lay eggs all the time. So you can't get your favorite food all the time, you must also learn to love our partner's favorite food when the budget at hand or not can prepare that particular dish. That is what we call Unification because marriage is a union of two different backgrounds so that they're no longer two but one flesh. Iron and Aluminum are two different metals but can be fused together to form Steel (an Alloy of metals). Be patient and matured, it is only dogs and cats that fight over food. Don't behave like one. You don't need to fight over clothing. Dressing and dress codes have resulted many marriages on the rocks. If you're dressed in a particular way or dress code that your partner doesn't like – change it. Don't feel proud, arrogant or stubborn. Be humble and meek. In marriage you must put this principle at the back of your mind – your husband is not the owner of his body any longer but the wife likewise the wife does not own her body any longer but the husband is now the owner. But please, talk to him or her lovingly and not grudgingly. Learn how to talk to your fellow husband or wife, please.

Common toothpaste and electrical bulb have caused divorce in marriages before. The wife will come and press the toothpaste from the middle, and the husband will come and straighten it always. It got to a time the man started cautioning her but she'll always come and repeat the same thing. That was the beginning of marriage quarrels leading to divorce. Another marital divorce erupted from light bulb issue. One partner offs the light, another partner will go and on the light at bedtime. One partner claims he sleeps with light – out, another partner claims she sleeps with light – on, and an argument arose leading to quarrels and divorce till date. Pot – belly had also caused divorce in some marriages before. In some cases, the husband advised her wife to undergo stomach exercise which she always frown. In another marital case it was the wife who advised her husband which he also frown. Later on this became an argument which resulted into hot quarrels and the marriage ended. In some marriages, divorce instantly erupted because of Politics. The man was in favor of the opposition party while the woman was in favor of the ruling government's party during an election. A hot quarrel broke among them which ended their marriage till date but the two political parties are still intact till date. Sex denial and sex starvation had led to a lot of problems in marriages – ranging from quarrels, fights, backbiting, withdrawing from marital responsibilities till date. Many marriages also break up due to selfishness exhibited by one of the partner towards the other likewise disrespect and one partner bluffing the other. All these acts are the works of satan, it is either you're controlled and led by God or controlled and led by the devil. As from today, every satanic force and elements organizing marital quarrels and fights in your life is destroyed from the root in the name of Jesus Christ. I curse it from the root to dry up now in the name of Jesus Christ. So shall it be in Jesus' name. Amen.

11. MARITAL SEPARATION: Marital separation is one of the destructive elements the devil use to crush marriages. Most marital separations had led to adultery and the rising of step-sons and step-daughters, and step-mothers. And later on, marital separation leads to divorce. You can't apply marital separation as a try-and-error and expect things to be working well in your absence or expect things to work perfectly for you. There was a Hairdresser who separated from her husband to her mother's place only to come and find another lady on her matrimonial bed. And she started accusing the man of being unfaithful. Another man applied the same tactics, and her wife goes for away dating with other men far away from her home so she won't be noticed. Others too are shameless, they date anyhow they like even though they are not divorced.

When you apply separation, you give room for the devil to operate and plague your life, the life of your partner, and if you have children – the devil will also plague your children as well. But in the midst of these separations God will use people to try binding the two marriage couples together. God can use your own children, God can use your friends, God can use His Servants, God can use your neighbors or even use your enemies just to bind the marriage together. Why? Because He is a covenant keeping God. God partook in authenticating the covenant and it was He who joined marriage couples in Holy Matrimony when they appeared to Him. And He makes sure He does His part in keeping the covenant alive, until you yourself decides to break the covenant. That is why He said: "have respect unto the covenant for the habitations of the world are full of cruelty". And "divorce have I hated" God said.

THE ROOFING OF MARRIAGE

The next most important aspect of marriage we need to address is “the roofing of marriage”. It is not enough to construct the foundation and build the structures, it is also necessary to roof the building structure so as to have “maximum security”. This roofing must be very durable else it may disgrace you one day. There came a time in rainy season in the history of Ghana, where the severity of rainstorm cleared-off an aluminum roofing sheet off a residential building.

So the occupant family that had run from the rainstorm outside, were being beaten by the rainstorm in their rooms to the extent of wetting their beds, mattresses, cushion chairs and flooding the whole room in the process. So how durable the roofing of your building determines the maximum security you have. Otherwise, a bed’s dung can just land on you both at day and at night because we have night beds too. Rain and sunshine can just lash you if you have no roofing. Some people’s roofing systems are not well secured so they sleep in their own bedrooms with scorpions, lizards, snakes, wall-geckos, mice, etc. So how durable is your roofing system? The following are the Roofing of Marriage, namely:

1. CONNECTING TO GOD: To let you know, God must be in everything because without Him you can do nothing. God must be amongst the ingredients you use to lay your foundation, God must be amongst the materials you use to build the structures of your marriage and God must be amongst the material and give you direction how to properly lay the roof of your building.

The Israelites were bitten by snakes in the wilderness until they were provided with a Copper Serpent to look unto and live, and they did lived for those who obeyed God’s Word from Moses except the stubborn ones who died out of disobedience.

You need to engage in “daily morning and evening devotion to God”, it is very important. You need to set an alarm clock or watch every morning and every evening for God. Start with God and end with God every day. Please, be awake when your partner or your clock awakes you for morning devotion. At times, the Holy Spirit will be awakening you to jerk up and give you prayer points to pray – don’t take it for granted. You have to pray to God, for God to move the Holy Spirit into action by God’s Word because Holy Spirit needs a Sword (which is God’s Word) to fight on your behalf.

You need to thank God for your life because if you can’t thank God, your tanks cannot be full. That is why many people’s lives are stagnated and full of accidents and bruises. God said: “because they refused to give me thanks, I shall destroy them and not build them up”. Ungrateful and selfish people, are you one of them? Thank God for your life and God will preserve your life, thank God for your health and God will preserve your health, thank God for our marriage, the peace you’re enjoying & everything today and every day and God will put a Hedge Roundabout your life like He did for Job. You can’t be coming to God and always asking from Him. God can say enough to your prayer requests but cannot say enough to your thanksgiving. You must always engage in praises before you can think of asking God anything, God loves praises. God laughs, God can be happy, angry and sad just like you. How do you feel if you’re a footballer and you score goals for your team and fans are praising you from the crowd? You feel very happy and

gains more strength to press on for more goals. Have you praised God for the goals He scored for you? If you have not done so, how then do you energize Him to score more goals for you? Those who call into accidents of the day, are those who don't devote their lives to God and thank Him for the day.

An aircraft crash-landing occurred near Aviation House in Ghana somewhere in the year 2012. The boeing aircraft broke the aviation airplane park wall, took to the streets and runned over a commercial mini-bus killing all passengers on board. But the driver's mate who was supposed to be on duty that day had a family issue to attend to that day so the driver brought another mate to take-over who was killed in the process. Many people don't connect to God on everyday so are always destroyed and tempted by the devil of the day. In the name of Jesus Christ, anything that is disconnecting your marriage from God is destroyed in the name of Jesus Christ. You need to thank God for shielding you out of temptations of yesterday before you ever think of asking for deliverance from temptations today.

2. REMAIN RIGHTEOUS: Righteousness builds God's shield around your life and makes it impossible for the devil to strike you although temptations, trials and attacks may come. So that "though the enemy shall rise up like a flood, then the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against them". So when the devil and his soldiers rise up with weapons, God's shield around your life will protect you. Being righteous means doing things rightly, so anything that is not right is unrighteous and every unrighteousness is a sin.

Righteous ones are the upright in heart, and these are the sons and daughters of God. When you root your marriage life with righteousness and get connected to God, anything you ask God – He will give it to you. God's Word says: "I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession" ... Psalm 2:7 – 8. So I cannot lie on God's behalf, neither can God lie and repent from His Word. So you need to be righteous when laying your marital foundation, when building the structure and you need righteousness to keep or sustain the marriage.

3. BE JOYFUL: Always in force Joy in your heart. You have to pray for God to give you Joy throughout the day as you engage in morning devotion. You have to smile at each other every day, make yourself happy every day. You must learn how to be jovial and you must also respond positively. Not that your partner is trying everything possible to create happiness in the home whiles you devilishly destroy this atmosphere. God hates such attitudes. When you do that your marriage faces stagnation and dryness. In fact, nothing will work in your marriage and everything that are positively working before begins to turn upside down speedingly or slowly. You know slow poison and quick poison are all poison. God's Word says: "with Joy shall ye draw waters out of the wells of salvation" and not vice versa. And you dare not challenge God's Word. God's Word has the final say. Joy will keep you growing positively from grace to grace, and from strength to strength. Always think of happy moments, jokes, be playful to each other – whether you're advising him or her about something negativity he or she has or not. It takes joy to drive your way through. "Only with Joy shall ye draw waters out of the wells of salvation" and not with mourning. Be joyful.

4. BE HARDWORKING: Some people entered marriage and stopped working although they used to work before. Remember God's Word says: "He that does not work must not eat". So if you're not working and you're eating, you're breaking God's Word which created all things. If you're busily looking for jobs or employment then keep on praying and searching. But if you're just lazily sitting idle, then sooner or later – you'll start to face challenges in your marriages. To let you know, the devil finds job for the idle hands. The devil's jobs are what you see as: Thefts, Armed Robbery, Drug Abuse, Prostitution, because all these form of employment are given by the devil. None of such employment comes from God. Do they?

You'll start the devil's job if you're not employed for a long time because marriage is full of responsibilities. And if you're not employed, how do you take care of the home? And mind you marriage is driven by two engines which is the husband and wife and not by one partner alone. One partner may do it for some time but will get tired and faint along the line. Marriage is like a bicycle, when one of the tires become stiff no matter how you apply pressure it won't get anywhere or any far. Both tires must be working for smooth acceleration. Please, go and look for work and do. In the name of Jesus, may God help you find the job that you are looking for. So shall it be in Jesus' name, Amen. Don't be lazy in marriage, be hard working.

If one partner alone is working and the other one is not working, its like paddling a bicycle with bags of cement at the back. And you know very well that roads are not flat but there are plain lands, descending sloppy lands and ascending sloppy lands on the way. You will not feel very happy when you're descending because you don't need to paddle. You'll feel a bit relax or a bit tired on the plain land because you need to paddle over here. The greatest discomfort comes when you're climbing ascending sloppy lands, because that is where you need to paddle with great effort.

The question is, how far can you go on the ascending lands with the bags of cement on your bicycle as you paddle? You'll surely fall off the bicycle and may even damage the cement bags, wasting the cement on the floor. That is what occurs in marriages where one partner alone is working whiles the other partner refused to support him or her. We don't do that in marriage? How can you expect your partner alone to support the marriage whiles you sit down? May God help you to repent from such satanic thinking mannerism in Jesus' name I pray.

5. RESPECT YOURSELVES: One of the ingredients that are combined in roofing a marriage is respect for each other. You can bare witness with me that those that are your husband's co-equals, you respect them and use the word "please" as a sign of respect. And the first day you met your man, you use the word "please" to address him which was one of the attributes that attracted him to start liking you which later grew into love for you, but now that you're close together, why reduce that respect for him? When you respect him now, does that reduce your age, color or status? Please, drop that character now before that character drops you. This character is "pride". Clear it out of your way.

Remember Sarah, how she respected Abraham to the extent she call her husband "Lord". Why won't Abraham love Sarah? Why do you think God's Word says a woman must respect and be submissive to her husband? Because that is what keeps igniting the love in him which will keep on growing stronger and stronger, and that is what will keep his attention away from other females and focus only on her wife.

Listen, Beauty and money may fade away but character will sustain the marriage. Mark my words. And mind you he is somebody's cherished son and cherished brother and cherished friend before you married him. So please, don't misbehave towards him or disrespect him. As a husband you must also learn to respect your wife. Whether she's younger than you or your co-equal, you must give her respect. Because she's also somebody's cherished daughter, cherished sister, cherished friend before you married her. So please, don't disrespect and misbehave towards her. And please, don't turn her into a punching bag.

But you must all learn to earn respect through self-respect. And please, don't take advantage of his or her respect for you and misbehave towards him or her. Because there're some people no matter how you're trying to show them respect, that is the time they tend to misbehave the more. And as I've told you earlier that marriage is like a mirror. Their partners also start getting fed-up and show them their negative characters also just to balance the equation. So why start this behavior in the first place? And who started this behavior first?

Please, check yourselves. Why can't you people just respect each other and allow peace to prevail? In the name of Jesus, every disrespectful character in you is cursed by the Blood of Jesus. When you say please to him or her, does that reduce your height or your age? Stop that pride and give respect to each other. How can you just call his name "Kofi" or "Ama". Can't you say Please Kofi or Please Ama, or Kofi please or Ama please? Give respect to your marriage and let it be honorable. Thank you.

Please, if you are a woman or a lady and you're older than your husband – give him the due respect and be submissive and caring so that he'll also love you always. And please, if you're fatter, tougher or bigger than your husband don't take advantage of your body and disrespect him. God hates all such behaviors because that is pride – a devilish character. If you're one of them, please change for the better, how can you allow yourself to be used by the devil to destroy your marriage and how can you treat your husband like a small boy or a dog? You won't prosper with this attitude lady. You won't prosper with it. At the end of the day, it is the same man you'll come and disturb with your problems who'll have no choice but to assist you. So all of you end up in the same problem, because you are not two but one flesh.

Please mind your speech, mind your actions, mind your heart and mind your body languages. Give him the headship charge as God says: "the husband is the head of the family as Christ Jesus is the head of the Church". Just like you can't be ruling Christ in the Church but rather be submissive to him, so must you also submit to your husband. And not be fighting him over this headship, trying to rule or dominate him. Every man hates that. He may not tell you if he's that quiet person when you do that, but I bet you, you're sitting on a time bomb. One day, he'll flare up on you because of this behavior.

I once had a lady I wanted to marry who was trying to use me as a maid servant or treat me like a small boy, and I quickly rejected her till date. She is a very devoted prayerful Christian but her own elder sister is always annoyed with her because she wants to use her elder sister the same manner. I can be chatting with her sister till date but when she start approaching, we all leave the scene. So character is very important. Many ladies are not getting husbands because of some of these behaviors. The guys will come

willing to marry them and quickly turn away, and they'll fast and pray and pray but don't see where the faults are coming from. You need understanding to apply wisdom.

Don't copy other ladies because they do it, one day their husbands will rage on them. Mark my words, even if he respects you and won't rage on you – he'll shun your company. At times this character of yours pushes him to dating other women. If he finds a lady who's very respectful and submissive to him, he'll clear his ring off and tell the lady he's single. And before you know it your husband is dating someone else or has impregnated another lady. In fact, some of them will just go and impregnate another lady to end the marriage with you because adultery is the only permitted ground for divorce in God's sight so that they'll go and beg for God's mercy later. I'm telling you the truth from life experiences what some men do to just end their marriages because they are fed up far too long with their wives' characters beyond the expected.

You can't miss God's Word and do it your way. You won't prosper with it. Watch yourself, since you started using your method where did you land with it? So many blessings have been pronounced on you from many places and at church, how many of them came to pass and how concrete is it? When a monkey is chained, it can only move to an extent but cannot go beyond the length of the chain. So is everyone that does not do what is right but receives blessing, the wrong doings hinder the progress of him or her. This is Apostolic mandate with its message from God and not Apostasy. Apostles hit the nail and hammer right on the head to cause positive change for God's blessings to flow in the life of the believer.

Your husband also has friends that are married. So when he visit his friends and see the way their wives respect their husbands, and comes home and you keep on treating him the contrary way, how would he feel? Won't he feel regret for ever getting married to a lady like you? "Look at the way my friends' wives respects their husbands, and look at the way my wife disrespects me" he'll ask himself. Why won't he ask himself this question? He won't be happy in that marriage any longer and it will get to a time he just can't control it any more. So he'll also start his wayward behavior all because you showed wayward behavior to him for far too long.

The devil calculates all these devices. As you keep on doing that the devil will bring him someone who is very nice to him, caring to him, loving and respects him. Very soon his attention will start shifting to that lady. Because he'll always come home and you always make him sad whiles that lady is always making him happy. Even calling him to find out, is everything alright with you? Then his heart is drifting away from you slowly or speedily until he finally falls in love with her. He'll throw his wedding ring somewhere and start dating that lady. Otherwise, why won't he? Tell me these things don't happen, or even if not in your marriage they happen around. Don't they?

And if you don't stop that disrespectful character, you'll be the next victim. Extra-marital affairs have become too many these days. Some people feel proud about it these days. You'll see Christians both visibly and secretly involved in this act, and they'll come to church seeking God's blessings and thinking that their tithe and offering will cover up for them. Whiles God has said: "the offering and sacrifices of the

sinner is abominable to me". You don't follow God's Word. You make non-Christians and unbelievers mock at Christians far too long and such characters prevent people from worshipping God. Because eyes are watching you everywhere in case you're not aware. May God deliver such character if you're one of such ladies in Jesus' name. Do you know why Jesus says: "let your light shine that men may see your fine works and give glory to The Father in Heaven? Because eyes are watching every positive and negative action you perform in secret or in broad day light. Observers are watching, and if observers have question marks about your character please check yourself. Check yourself. God's raw messages are a "refiner's fire" that burns every chaff out of your system to make you efficient and powerful like petroleum fuel and shine like gold or diamond.

We have some ladies too that have this behavior of not talking with their husbands when they're corrected on these matters. If you won't mind him because you've been corrected, then you're very proud. If you don't want your husband to tell you you're going wrong when you're wrong, you're being ruled by the devil. You are always right, you don't know how to say sorry and rather wants him to say sorry to you and pamper you when he complains and expose to your behavior he doesn't like. I'm sorry to tell you, you're very very proud. This is the true nature of the devil. So because of that you won't cook for him, you'll go and sleep in the hall but when people outsiders come around you pretend to be a good lady. This is the very hypocritical characters the Pharisees were engaging in before Jesus came down on earth. And he once warned a crowd: "see to it that your righteousness exceed that of the Pharisees and Scribes, else you'll by no means enter the Kingdom of Heaven". This means that many people think they're righteous, but by these behaviors they take for granted – they'll not enter God's Kingdom just like the Pharisees and Scribes if their righteousness does not exceed this limit. So please, check yourself. Many Christian literatures may not expose you this light because the grace on Matthew is different from Mark, and that of Mark is different from Luke and that of Luke is different from John but they were all inspired by God but different way of delivering the Gospel's message.

You may read some Christian books to entertain yourself thinking you're blessed. But feeling blessed is different from being blessed because the results will expose you. So many are wasting their years all round. They can be in Church for ten years while others are growing but they remain at the same spot. Please, check yourself very well and be disciplined. If a man falls asleep and dreams he's sitting on a table full of meat and he ate till satisfaction but actually wakes up but very hungry and sees no positive change in his or her life for ten years. Is he satisfied? NO. So is everyone that continues to do contrary to God's Word but comes to church to receive God's blessing. There is no where that blessing will work. You can't marry light and darkness together. It is either light have its way or darkness have its way.

Please, if you are also a gentleman and you're older than your wife – give her the due respect, love her, be caring so that she'll also love and respect you. And to you also, if you're fatter, tough looking or bigger than your wife don't take advantage of her smallish body and disrespect her in anyway. God hates all such behaviors. Are the Pharisees and Scribes who think they're self-righteous not putting up the same behaviors before Jesus came? What difference is there between you and the Pharisees with this behavior, please organize your heart aright.

How can you treat your wife like a day nursery Child or like a piece of rag? You can't prosper with this attitude. And if you don't prosper, it is somebody's daughter who was sitting somewhere whom you went for who will also partake in the suffering including your own children. I told you at "The Fundamentals of Marriage" that one partner can invite a curse that will affect the whole family, this is a typical example of it. If you're not blessed are you not cursed? Otherwise what makes you think if you're not blessed you carry God's blessings? Please, if you are not blessed you are cursed. There's no third party.

God's Holy Spirit is upon me, when the Holy Spirit comes He'll guide you into all truth because the Holy Spirit searches into all things and expose them to the light. You must make sure your wife, your children and yourself don't end up as vagabonds in your marriage. "Anyone who cannot take care of his own household, is worse than an unbeliever". Do you understand the meaning of this? To be forewarned is to be forearmed.

Please as a man – mind your speech, mind your heart, mind your body languages. The fact that you're the head of the family doesn't mean you should over-do things beyond the expected end. Is that how Christ over do things in the Church because He's the head of the church? Please, learn from Jesus Christ.

Don't copy your friends or other men because they do it that way. It may one day bring marital problems in your home for you. In the same manner your friends will also suffer the same experience but the blasting of this kind of time bomb varies with each marriage. But they'll all explode, because a time bomb is a time bomb and a poison is still a poison no matter how slow or quick it is. Your wife may one day flare up when she gets fed-up or run away from the marriage. Even if she won't run away because of the deep love she has built for you, she won't be closer to you the way she used to.

Some women also tend to pick male friends in the process, who are so caring, loving and give them the due respect – something that you don't give to her. So she gradually begins to like him until it develops into love, dating and adultery. Otherwise what do you expect? All these orchestrations are organized by the devil. He starts everything gradually and in a calculated manner. He's called the original serpent because a serpent is very wise and swift.

Listen your wife also has friends that are married and she'll definitely be visiting some of them and will surely see how their husbands love and respect their wives. If she starts seeing these things and comes home and you continue to show her the negative character, why won't she loose her interest in you and the marriage. She'll say to herself: "Look at the way my friends' husbands love and respect their wives, and look at how my husband maltreats me? No, this is not the kind of marriage I expected; this is not the kind of marriage I want". When your behavior keeps on firing and she keeps on getting discouraged this way and advising herself, what action do you think she'll take one day and in a twinkle of an eye? Answer this question yourself and email it to me.

Please, respect yourselves not because you made a vow to God, to your partner and to yourself but out of a willing heart. Must you be advised before you know and learn how to respect your partner? Or you don't know you must respect your partner? Please, let every married man or woman, aspiring married couples or singles believing God for marriage grab a copy of this book and God will change their lives forever.

6. BE RESPONSIBLE: Marital responsibility is responding to your mandatory and obligatory roles in the marriage, not just because God commanded you to do so but because you were willing and are still willing to do so. Let the responsibility be done from the depth of your heart so that nobody needs to tell you or push you before you know you must be responsible.

As a man you know it is your role as the Shepherd of the family, and every Shepherd must provide not only for the wife, but for the children as well. That is why every responsible husband and father must look for a good job to respond to the needs of his family. You don't need to be told to do this. To the wife – you take good care of her, love her, attend to her health needs, attend to her sexual needs, support her when the need arises, respect her, keep her on the path of righteousness for God, keep her for yourself and for God alone, keep her attention away from outside, be a good listener, make her happy for God's sake. To the children – you take good care of them, love them, attend to their health needs, find out their challenges and attend to them, correct them when they go wrong and discipline them when the need be, attend to their accommodation needs, dressing needs, education needs, etc.

As a woman you are also the Shepherdess of your home, and every shepherdess must provide not only for the husband, but for the children as well. That is why every responsible wife and mother must look for a good job to respond to the needs of her family. You also don't need to be told before you know it. To the husband – you care for him, love him, respect him, listen to him, be submissive to him, attend to his health needs, attend to his sexual needs, support him when the need arises, keep him on the path of righteousness, keep him for yourself and for God alone, keep his attention away from outside, make him happy for God's sake, cook for the family, manage the home. To the children – you take good care of them, love them, attend to their health needs, find out their challenges and attend to them, correct them when they go wrong and discipline them when the need be, attend to their dressing needs, food needs, education needs, accommodation needs, etc.

So the responsibility is not one-sided as some people think. It is like a Joint-Partnership Business. Do your best and contribute your quota not for your husband, wife or children's sake but for God's sake. And God will bless your family.

7. KEEP YOUR BODY: Your body is the temple of God, and whoever destroys God's Temple (the Body) will be destroyed by God Himself. So if you destroy your body, God will destroy you. This answers one of the questions why many will not enter into God's Kingdom. They have destroyed God's Temple (their body). If the body is therefore God's Temple and Cleanliness is next to Godliness, then we need to keep our body clean. In fact, you don't need to be told to keep yourself clean. Must I advise you on this? No. You're not a day nursery child but a grown-up, so grow up.

You need to bath very well, brush your teeth very well, wash your clothes very well, keep your hair very neat, keep your body in good shape through exercises and eating good natural diets. Both the husband and the wife must engage in these all the time. Some couples have bad breathe – caused by hidden gum sore, internal skull sore, (at times consuming too much animal diets). Due to this, many couples cannot kiss or don't like kissing because of the bad breathe expelled by their partner. It's very difficult for him or her

to tell you. If you brush your teeth every day, use mouthwash and still no positive change – consult a reliable dental specialist to address this issue (s) even before you get married. You stop that bad mouth breathe before it stops your marriage. Many marriages have collapsed due this.

Check your body odour before your body odour checks your marriage. Many marriages have landed on the rocks because of this. Don't let someone spoil your name because of bad body scents before you wake up. Some ladies smell a lot, likewise some men/guys also smell a lot. Some of these bad body smells, mouth smells are “spiritual spells” cast on individuals while others are caused by the individual. So you need to bath with good scented soaps and pray against it as well. You work physically and spiritually. You can mix lemon & aloe vera soaps together to eliminate keep your skin smooth and also eliminate bad body odour. You may try “Village Fresh” Gel or Liquid soaps for best results.

And please buy enough underwear – at least an underwear to use every day or if not at least two or three and must be well washed, dried in the hot sun before usage. If you're a lady, you need to iron your underwear before usage because you're more prone to infections than the man/guy. Never wear an underwear unwashed two or three days, especially when you know you have bad body odour. And always dress and keep your hair neatly and nicely – the way you dress or appear is how you are addressed. His friends/family or her friends/family might tell him or her to advise you on this if you don't keep yourself well. Won't you feel embarrassed if an outsider comes to tell your wife or husband to carry herself well? Later if this behavior continues, quarrels may erupt and that may begin the woes of your marriage. Please check this “satanic device” before it stops your marriage. The roofing of marriage is shielding your marriage. So how durable is your roofing? That's a very sensitive question to answer yourself.

If your shape is deforming – protruding stomach, fat body, bad dressing and your husband asks you to engage in physical exercise to reduce in weight or obtain flat stomach, appear nicely/neatly dressed and you frown then you don't respect him. You don't respect “at all”. That is why most men engage in extra-marital affairs. If it were not so, I wouldn't have told you. Men are attracted by what they see. And he'll sooner or later be getting attracted to another lady by her beauty and character similar or more than what you exhibited to him at first that attracted him to you. But most importantly, “your character will keep him to you” because beauty will fade. If you're improperly dressed or deformed and he asked you to dress well or change your dress or do exercise, please respect him so that he'll also respect you. Your body in marriage is no longer yours – it belongs to God and your partner.

If you are also a man – deforming in stature, improperly or dirtily dressed, un-combed/unkempt hair and your wife wants you to change. Please listen to her because in marriage, your body is no longer yours – it belongs to God and your partner alone. How do you think she'll feel when friends and relatives come to meet you in that appearance? She'll be very embarrassed the way you'll be embarrassed when she does the same. Some people complain about that of their wives or husbands but are also doing the same thing. Please, check yourself so you set an example for him or her to follow when you advise him or her. If you practice the same mistake as he or she does, how do you expect him or her to change when you're also “eating the same soup”. “Remove the straw from your eye first” before the rafter in your partner's eye.

8. ACCESS YOURSELF: Accessing yourself every day in marriage is very important. It's like looking at yourself in a mirror to see how you really look liked. Whether you're properly dressed or not, dirty looking or neatly looking, etc will be exposed when you stand in front of the mirror. So every night before you sleep ask your husband or wife what he or she doesn't like about you and what he or she likes about you. Ask him or her if there's anything you've done to hurt his or her feelings that day and resolve all these amicably and in a loving way. You say sorry to each other where you hurt his or her feelings, you say thank you where he or she praised you. And tell him or her you'll work on the wrong ones so you too can have your peace of mind, sleep soundly and wake up feeling happy and refreshed for the day. Don't forget to do this. External examination becomes very dangerous to a student if he or she is not properly examined through the syllabus frequently and habitual manner. You need to examine yourself at the end of the day and find your way forward before "what seems like a match-stick fire turns into a raging fire" or "a hidden time-bomb not identified turns out to destroy your home" some day. Dress yourself in "this mirror" before you undress yourself by these hidden, unidentified problems.

9. KEEP LOVING: A vehicle without the required energy for its journey will get "locked-up" at a destination but not the destination. A camel without adequate water and food for its journey will end up thirsty and weak at a destination and cannot reach the destination until it drinks water and eats food to continue the journey. So is a marriage that dries up its love.

Love can be constructed like a "well reservoir" which will keep bobbling forth from beneath, and love can also be constructed like a "water tank or bucket reservoir" where you'll fetch water until it dries up and had to refill the reservoir. Which one would you choose? I believe everyone would choose the first option.

Mind you whether you choose the "well type" or "water tank type", you still need to do construction but the difference lies in their longevity.

You must know that as Children of God, we are made to rule as Priests and Priestesses, Kings and Queens in Heavenly places with Christ Jesus.... Ephesians 1:23 – 25. And "the Heart of every King is in the hands of God" so you need to connect to God. Because without Him (God) you can do nothing. So get connected to God through an agreement service to change your partner's heart for you as you render the service. Or you can make a "sacrificial offering" to God on this account or give "a prophetic offering" to God and God will use that to keep your love for Him and your partner growing from strength to strength. Why both God and your partner? because both of them including yourself are in a "tripartite" or tri-covenant. So you can't love your partner and reject God. "For you must love the Lord your God with your whole heart, whole soul and whole strength". And you can't love God and reject your partner. "For he who claims he love God and yet hate his brother is a liar". "You must love your neighbor as yourself". Jesus says: "these two love-laws are the greatest of all God's laws". It means these are the foundation of God's Law. Jesus made it simple: "do unto others (your God and your neighbor/partner) what you want others to do unto you. For this law, all the laws and the prophecies hung".

Cornerstones or pillars of every building including all other parts of the building cannot stand without the foundation. They all hung upon the foundation. "So for your marriage to stand and keep going, you must go for love (which answers the question of choice), use love to build everything about the life of your marriage. Why? Because love has the greatest faith (love believes not many things, some things, few things but believes all things), love is powerful (love can penetrate through every storm), love is patient (love doesn't care about how long it takes; age is just a number in love), love endures all things (love can withstand all challenges no matter which prison love is sent to), love is strong (you can't defeat love; love has the final say), love never die (you can't kill true love).

Through love even when you see challenges arising, you take them as "a football game" and "play through the challenge joyfully" that the devil has no choice except to surrender. In fact, you'll see yourself as an action movie hero fighting oppositions. So you know for sure "blow-man never die". You can't give up in love. "If you have love – you'll have faith, if you have love – you'll have strength, if you have love – you have patience, if you have love – you'll be powerful. Do you know why the devil cannot beat God? Because God does it for love, and when He's committed to – devil cannot overpower Him. You're God's Children, isn't it? And once you have God's Spirit in you – you are led by God...Romans 8:14. And God gives you His power to act like a Son or Daughter of God....John 1:12. And these signs shall follow them...they shall cast out devils in my name, heal in my name... And anything you ask God for He'll give you....Psalm 2:7 – 8.

That is why you'll make it, shine and blossom forth with love. Go for love, cultivate it and God will see you through. You can't be defeated when you're fighting with love.

Anything that you'll do to plant, cultivate and grow that love – do it, talk to God, have faith in God and God will see you people through.

God understands everybody more than you ever think. Many think God does not understand them so they go on making so many explanations to God in prayer. God can see your heart just like a transparent sachet or bottled water. When you drop any object in the water, you see everything clearly isn't it? That is how God sees everything in our hearts. When you love material things than God, He and pretends with your mouth and actions – He's seen your heart already. When you're broken hearted and pretends to smile and jubilate – He's watching your heart. If you're really happy and jubilating, God sees it. If you're murmuring and asking questions in your heart – God sees it. If you have any evil intention in your heart for what you're asking from Him and wants Him to give it to you – He won't.

Beware, once God is the husbandry owner of both of you. If you want your partner to give you something that you're going to use for evil intention. Watch out how God will resist you. By the time you came, your partner had already exhausted what you're asking for. Or you want to ask for money to go and cheat on her, by the time you came – his or her money is finished. Or you're planning in future to do something to hurt your partner – watch out how God will resist you before, during and after you take that plan and how He'll punish you when you really do that bad or negative intention. Love, because God is Love.

PRE-MARITAL PREPARATION

Now that you've learnt about what marriage really is, the fundamentals of marriage, the foundations of marriage, the building blocks of marriage and the roof of marriage – the next most important thing to talk about is Pre-Marital Preparation. If you have in mind of rearing a “rabbit, goat or any domesticatable farm animal – you need to construct a pen or hatch before you can think of going to look for and buy the farm animal. And you also need to find out if it was the best form of investment or not.

In the same manner if you have in mind of getting married, it is very vital to make preparation before you start dating so you won't suffer any inconveniences in your marriage. Of a truth, “the way you lay your bed determines how well you sleep”.

Pre-Marital Preparations is not for the aspiring husband to be alone but for the wife to be as well. Both partners need to prepare themselves for marriage experience. If you know where you're going – you keep focused and can't be frustrated, but if you don't know where you're going people will send you where they are going.

MARITAL PREPARATIONS OF THE MAN:

Every man must prepare himself for the following before he gets to marriage.

- 1 EMPLOYMENT:** Every man desiring to marry in future must look for a suitable job or employment and do before he can ever think of any other plans. If you're not working or lazy, how can you play your husbandry role in the marriage as recommended by God. You can't be going about and be begging people for money always to buy food, clothing, take care of shelter, etc. That is why you need to be gainfully employed before getting married. You must also pray to God to see you through every aspect of your life.
- 2 INVESTMENT:** Every man desiring to marry in future must look for a suitable investment to dive into to have some money growing somewhere to finance any future project, or responsibilities instead of heavy reliance on take-home salaries except your salary is very adequate for you. Even if it's adequate, you still need to make investment because you'll definitely need more funds than your salary to address future responsibilities. You don't wait for that responsibilities to come before you start looking for funds, you prepare yourself ahead of time before that responsibility meets you.
- 3 SAVINGS:** Every man aspiring to marry in future must look for good savings opportunities and save accumulated funds from both investment returns and from salary. This will make it easier for you to have access to money to address any urgent responsibilities that might cross your path.
- 4 SELF ACCOMMODATION:** Every man desirous of marrying a woman or lady, must look for an accommodation or shelter of his own. “For this purpose a man will have to leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife. And the two shall become one flesh, not two but one flesh”. Normally those who carry their wives to their father's house, mothers house suffer problems. Most woman/ladies are not interested in such marriages and are therefore not happy or committed in such marriages. She may hide

it from you. But deep down within her, she's not either happily married or not really happy the way she expected and it will show in the characters she will exhibit in the marriage. "Action speaks louder than words". God saw this earlier and asked his friend and servant Abraham to move away from his father's house and mother's house to the land He (God) will show him (Abraham). And when Abraham obeyed God, God blessed and increased Abraham. But not until Abraham left, he was not blessed and there was no increase for him. So until you depart, you can't be part of God's success agenda for you.

You need to furnish your room as well and all these demands capital. Preparing all these shows you're learning to become a responsible man. Buying Bed, Wardrobe, TV Stand, Fridge, TV, Kitchen Equipment, Fan, Etc so you can enjoy a good life at home. Consider the ant – after it digs its hole, it goes round looking for food to store in the hole so it can make use of in inconvenient weather conditions such as rain storms.

5 HEALTH ATTENTION: Every man aspiring to marry must make every effort to address physical health needs, body adornment health needs as much as possible. You must check your breathe, teeth, body odor, reproductive organs and address them as much as possible, and consult a physician if symptoms persists. Don't leave any chance for the devil to plant it in your partner to use it against you. Make a lot of exercise every morning and eat natural diets as much as possible.

MARITAL PREPARATIONS FOR THE LADY/WOMAN:

As a lady/woman you also need to prepare yourself very well ahead of time or before any man comes your way to ask your hand in marriage. The following are the general pre-marital preparations for a lady:

1 UTILITARIAN NEEDS: Every lady aspiring to marry in future must make preparations towards kitchen equipment, kitchen materials, for cooking. Because the woman normally is the manager of the kitchen than the man.

2 LEARN HOME MANAGEMENT: Every lady aspiring to marry in future must learn to practice home management before getting married. Learning how to clean the home, room arrangement, room adornments (flowers, decoations), etc.

3 LEARNING CHILD CARE: Every lady aspiring for future marriage must learn how to care and manage children from babyhood stage. She can go for reading materials, visit youtube, etc to learn ahead of others how to care for children. You don't wait till you give birth before you now start learning. Many ladies of these days don't learn how to care for children. They'll give birth and now relocate to their mother's house to now learn how to take care of children. In their absence, some men have been tempted to start dating other ladies, committed adultery, even given birth outside the marriage in the process. They only come and find out later, and accuse the man of unfaithfulness forgetting that their separation from the man due to lack of the woman's home work in child care is the root cause of all these. Because majority men have higher sexual drive or sexual hormones than women whose sexual drives are powerful. You can't allow the devil to tempt him. A human is a human. Even men of God – King David, Bishops, Presidents, have fallen victims to adultery on this account. Please, learn so you'll practice safety first.

4 EMPLOYMENT: Every lady aspiring for marriage must be gainfully employed to cater for some of her needs and also support the man, support the upkeep of the home and children. And not be sitting down expecting the man to finance everything about the marriage. A bicycle with loads of cement at the back climbing a hill will get to a point, reversing and throwing the rider, the cement and the bicycle in the process. So you can't expect the man to carry everything on his shoulder. He's a human being, he'll get to a tiring point, loose interest in the marriage and may even run away or even re-marry the desired woman of her choice so you'll pull your weight or force you to leave the marriage. All because of lack of learning and wrong perception you entered the marriage with. Just like some ladies harbor within themselves into marriages.

We have some men who enter marriage depending on their wives for everything because she's financially sound. She'll finance him to some extent but like a bicycle with loads of cement climbing a hill, she'll get to a point she can't ride up to the climbing hill again and fall off with the load. Many marriages collapse this manner. So both must be working to keep the marriage going forward, It takes two joining forces not one.

5 INVESTMENT: Every lady aspiring to marry in future must also allocate good investment opportunities and venture into. You can't practice hand-to-mouth all the time. Someday, you'll need funds or money more than what you are earning to support a project, future ambition or support a future responsibility. You may get frustrated when there was no funds available to execute the desired target. So whether you like it or not, you'll be in need of more funds someday to push something in your life forward. Arm yourself before the time elapse on you where you'll notice you have not planned towards the future to manage such accidental but very necessary goals.

6 SAVINGS: Every lady aspiring to marry in future must also learn to save so as to have ready capital available to depend on anytime she's in urgent need of it. You can't be keeping money at home all the time. It's not safe, why? Because of theft and armed robbery cases. It is better to practice safety precautions in your life than to wait for problems to come your way before you become awake to yourself.

7 HEALTH ATTENTION: Every lady is prone to disease than men, and the Gospel truth is this disease can be hidden or unnoticed by the lady for a long time until it shows forth at a very later years when it has eaten into her life and caused a lot of havoc. Diseases such as candidiasis, gonorrhoea, syphilis, HIV AIDS can hide itself in a woman for long time unnoticed. It is better as a lady, you go for medical check-up and if you have some of these diseases you seek treatment before you venture into marriage. All these disease can be treated by God's Word. If you've ever had an abortion and are suffering from barrenness, seek early treatment from God's Word before it causes havoc in your marriage. We also have herbal clinics that treat infertility in women and impotency in men.

We also have some women who smell a lot due to hidden infections or because she's reached the stage of menstruation. Using lemon fragrance mixed with aloe vera would be the best for such women. Or you can buy ordinary soap and mix squeezed lemon juice, and aloe vera juice into the apparatus. Lemon juice

contains acid which eliminates bad odor, while aloe vera would smoothen your skin to grow into a very beautiful lady. If you don't keep yourself well beginning from this stage, it would be difficult to treat body odor and shine your beauty. You must also opt for natural diets more within these stages – vegetables, fruits, protein, iron, phosphorus, etc. And you must exercise in the mornings to keep you in shape, get rid of excess salt leading to excessive sweat and body odor, keep you very fit and also sharpen your brain and make you active for the day.

You must also practice the culture of keeping your clothes and hair very neat. "The beauty of a woman is her hair". Keep your hair and body very neat.

You must obtain enough underwear at least one underwear for each day is good, if not at least three is a good start but make sure you don't wear the same underwear unwashed for two days. This will invite body odor bacteria and infectious bacteria to your body. You wash your underwear, dry them in the sun remove them. And some ladies can soak underwear for several days unattended to only to come back and find the soaked underwear smelling with other bacteria. So washing it immediately is what I'll recommend for forgetful ladies. But the best result is to soak underwear and towel overnight with antiseptic and soap, and wash it before day break before venturing for other house chores to save time or it can be done when bathing. It is best to use at least two towels so you can soak one overnight and wash the next day, while you use the other one and wash it or soak it with antiseptic before washing. "This advice is not only for ladies, but for men as well".

Never wear dirty clothes twice, especially outside home. And visit your mirror before you step outside. Get a life size mirror that can cover almost your height so you can see every part of your body before you step out there for work or for other duty. Someone will definitely see you and have an inward impression about you. It can be a negative impression or a positive impression. "The way you dress, is how you are addressed". So check your dressing and how you appear, and please wash the inner part of the bowl first before you address the outside otherwise it way one day expose you.

There's this very very important thing that ladies need to look out for which is destroying marriages unknown to them. What are they? Stretch marks, bumps especially in private parts. It turns them off quickly and they will not enjoy the marriage the way they expected. You know men are attracted by what they see. You can have a very beautiful woman – beautiful face, beautiful arms, beautiful legs, beautiful thighs but her pelvic bone, inner thighs, shoulder joints (armpit area) is full of bumps, stretch marks, protruding veins, etc. In fact, it will turn him off in the marriage. Most men indulge in adultery because of this. He may not tell you the real reason why he's dating other women while he's still married to because you did him no wrong or evil. This is raw truth unveiled to you, you either address it before you marry if you have some of these or leave it unattended to and allow it to "undress you" in your marriage. "She that has an ear, let her hear".

I know for sure this book will change a lot of people's bad behaviors to good one.

NB: Never cultivate laziness inside of you, jerk up and keep working. God bless you all.

CHOOSING A LIFE PARTNER

Now that you have both prepared yourself or almost done with preparation, the next most important thing is choosing a life partner. Choosing a life partner is a very sensitive process to address. If you don't address it well, it will definitely address you very well, disgrace and embarrass you in your marriage. The gospel truth too is that, you can leave with him or her till death do you part or for a very long time.

Many have made great mistakes in their lives and are regretting dearly for making the wrong choice in choosing such a life partner. Some are weeping inwardly, many are broken-hearted but are still living with him or her, many are just not happy at all and haven't smiled since they entered the marriage till date. "All because of making wrong choices".

1 PRAY BEFORE HUNTING:

In order to choose a life's partner you first need to pray to God telling Him the kind of Partner you want God to bring your way according to God's Will. You don't pray to God outside His Will and expect God to answer you. NO...James 4:3 says: "though ye pray ye receive no answers because ye pray not according to God's will". It is the will of God for you to get married but it's not the will of God to marry you to a son or daughter of the devil, neither is it God's will to venture you into a marriage that will not bring you peace. God always want to land you at an expected end.

Isaac's Servants all prayed to God and said: "the first woman who will give drink to camels of our master, let the same be the wife of our master"... as they went to the expected city Rachel – a Shepherdess came to overturn the cover of the well, fetched water for all the camels of Isaac. What a virtuous woman, what a serviceable woman, what a deserving wife. And they took her home to see her father. So after praying specifically the woman or man you need, go for the hunting and God will give you what you need. Tell God to give you a sign. If you don't see the sign the same day, keep praying and searching until God locate you the life's partner you desire.

2 THE PARTNER TO CHOOSE:

The kind of life's partner for you must be a God Fearing person. Anybody who truly fears God, loves God and will not do anything against God's Word. Anyone who fears God will also become conscious that you are a Son or Daughter of God, or a Creature of God – that is precious in God's sight. That partner must be someone who is willing to do God's will and dedicate his or her life to God. And not willing to do anything to destroy his or her relationship with God. That person must be someone who trusts God in all matters. That person must be one who puts God's will first and not man's will first.

The kind of life's partner for you must Love you. That person will not be selfish to you, that person will not be cheating you, that person will positively advice you, that person will love you more than material things because he or she first loves God, that person will not love another person and yet be in courtship with you, that person will not be expecting some years to come before he or she loves you. Never marry someone who doesn't love you because he or she doesn't have God in him or herself. For God is love.

The kind of life's partner for you must be in Agreement with You. That person must be a positive thinker, someone who wants to drive forward with you, someone who's in agreement with you – not someone who's going opposite the direction you're moving. That relationship will crush even if you marry. Because that relationship will remain stagnated and is definitely going nowhere. It's just like a car whose front tires are moving opposite the direction of the back tire. It will surely remain at one spot till Thy Kingdom Come. Or if one of the tires has more force, the tire at the opposite side will move but friction will wear-off the tires and that vehicle will also move very slowly, and pressure is exerted more on the engine which will eventually break-down. That person must also be a good listener and understanding.

The kind of life's partner for you must be Willing to Marry You. If marriage is not the reason why you're in that relationship with that man or woman – stop it. God hates such relationships because it ends up hurting either His Son or His Daughter. Find out from him or her if he or she is really serious about getting married to you. If he or she is really serious, his or her love for you will show. If she truly loves you, it will show. If he truly loves you, it will show. If he or she really wants to marry you it will show in the way he or she will behave towards you. Everyday is God's day but the day you decide to, is your day. So don't allow people to just come & delay your time or waste your destiny.

The kind of life's partner for you must Be Caring. A caring person will not be in a relationship because he or she is in need but because he or she cares about you being the chief reason. A caring person will not phone you only when he or she is in need, but will call to find out how you are whether he or she is not in need. I left one lady I wanted to marry simply because I showed my caring attitude to her beyond expected. Even to the point of imprisonment & even when am not asked to. But the only time this girl will call to find out how am doing is the only time she's in need & not because she really cares, that is the only time she'll ask if there's anything she can do for me, then she presents her need at the tail end. I saw that this is not true love. And I withdrew myself quickly. Although needs may arise and you will show you're caring. When you're also in need, does he or she also show caring attitude? You don't need to advise him or her before he or she knows how to be caring. That person must be caring as you do for him or her. That person must learn the examples of Jesus Christ, Rachel, Etc.

The kind of life's partner for you must Be A Giver & Servicehood. Your choice of partner must be someone who practices the culture of giving. This exercise is not for men alone but for females as well. God's Word at Luke 6:38 says: "give and it shall be given unto you". It didn't say only men should give and women should withstrain their hands against men or vice versa. He wrote this verse for all. Because relationship like marriage is a mirror –the action you perform in front of it, is the reflection it will give you even when you're married. Many are not happy in their marriage on account of selfishness of one partner towards the other. Many partners have become fed-up and tired because one partner alone is paddling a whole ship, one bicycle's tire alone is moving whiles the other tire remain stagnated. Many have run away from their partners because of this. He or she must be serviceable to you.

The kind of life's partner for you must Respect You. Your choice of partner must be someone who respects God. If the person respects, God he or she will also respect God's covenant and God's Will, and respect God's Way. If your partner respects God he or she will also respect you. If your wife meets men of your age, she respects them and use the word please to address them. Because she knows they're not her co-equal. In the same way he's not your co-equal age-wise so you have to respect him and learn to use the word "please" to address him. How can you just call him Jake? In fact, men hates this inwardly to be addressed this manner but he just hides it. And this feeling is a time-bomb which will explode oneday on you. God knew this so He says: "Wives, respect your husbands as in the Lord". Using Sarah as an example "who even calls Abraham Lord". Any woman who cannot obey this Word of God is simply proud. Anyone who is not willing to do God's Will, shall do the Devil's will and a son or daughter of the devil. Finish.

Men must also learn to respect their partners whom they intended to marry. Remember Joseph – the husband of Mary. When he found out Mary was pregnant when he's newly wedded her – a great abomination which deserves Mary to be brought before public and stoned to death. Joseph was very hurt and confused though, but did not beat her nor report her to the Chief Priests for Mary to be stoned. For the love and respect he has for her, he just decided to leave her quietly until God's Angel appear to Joseph in a dream before he changed his mind.

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