

Church Sub Theme for 2019-20: “What’s The Church Supposed To Be Like?!” (Problems in the Church)

Baldwin Hills Baptist Church
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Sermon Outline cont’d

B. The Sexual Relationship Is For Marriage Only

1. Outside of marriage it is sin, 1 Cor. 6:18
 - a. It dishonors the believer’s body,
1 Cor. 6:19, 20
 - b. We must tell our young people and grandchildren to **keep themselves** for marriage, 1 Thess. 4:3-8
2. Repentance toward God and forgiveness sought, are necessary when believers fail in this regard, 1 Jn. 1:5, 6, 9; 2:1

C. Adjustments Are Necessary To Make The Marriage Relationship Work Smoothly

1. Because: --different upbringings
--different personalities/temperaments
--cultures; family norms
--differences between males and females
--differences in spiritual maturity
2. Thus, **dating** is very helpful before marriage
--Read “Love at first sight” as **merely** “attraction at first sight.” Reject Hollywood’s version of love.
--Get to know the person you plan to spend the rest of your life with!
3. Pre-marital Counseling is very helpful in making preparations for marriage.
 - a. Learn to fight fair in marriage

b. Avoid saying too much in arguing!

D. God’s Assigned Roles In Marriage Must Be Followed To Please Him

1. Wives are to be in submission to their own husbands as they are to Christ, Eph. 5:22-24; Col. 3:18
2. Wives are to demonstrate a submissive attitude and Godly behavior to win a disobedience husband, 1 Pet. 3:1-6
3. Husbands are to love their wives as Christ loves His Bride, the Church, Eph. 5:25,28, 29, 33
4. Husbands are not to allow themselves to become embittered toward their wives, Col. 3:19
5. Husbands are to live with their wives in an understanding way, v-1 Pet. 7a
 - a, They are to treat her with honor as an equal heir of salvation, v-7b
 - b. God will hinder their prayers before Him if they fail to treat their wife right, v-7c