

FOR THOSE PREVIOUSLY MARRIED
(for use WITH the Groundwork Deck)

1. If you are divorced, why did you get a divorce? What were your reasons for divorcing?

2. Have you sought reconciliation with your former spouse? If so, how? If not, why not?

3. From a biblical standpoint did you consider yourself free to remarry? Yes No
Write down your conclusion.

4. Give three reasons you are confident you have gotten over your previous marriage and are able to be married again.

5. Give three reasons you may be unsure.

Expectations

Ask yourself these two questions and then proceed through the rest of the topics:

1. What unique expectations might I be holding on to from my previous marriage that I haven't yet discussed?
2. What are areas of this marriage that I'm expecting to be different from my previous one?

Review each category below and a thought or two about each category when applicable:

Marriage Relationship

Finances

Home

Housekeeping

Children and Parenting

Social/Entertainment

Spiritual

Holidays/Vacations/Special Occasions

In-laws/Relatives

Sex

If your spouse needs to contact his or her former spouse (due to finances, business, in-laws, children, etc.) how do you want that to be handled? _____

Children (If applicable)

1. What kind of relationship does your new spouse have with your children?

2. What kind of relationship do you have with your spouse's children? _____

3. How do you handle the children's need to see your former in-laws—their grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins?

4. What guidelines have been developed in disciplining the children? _____

5. How do you handle disagreements with former spouses about how to raise the children? ____

6. If you both have children, what kind of relationship do you expect them to have with each other?

7. What are the financial burdens involved in raising the children? _____

- How are these being handled? _____
8. Will you have additional children? Yes No
When? _____ How many? _____