

Red Flags of Dating

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Proverbs 27:12; Galatians 5:19-21
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Introduction







Prudent vs Naïve (sees trouble vs proceeds to trouble) (avoids vs regrets)

A prudent man sees evil and hides himself, The naive proceed and pay the penalty. Psalm 27:12



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- II.Cor.6:14 Do not be bound together with unbelievers; for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness?

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• "Dissentions/factions" (Gal.5:19-21)--When you and your date disagree to the point of causing an uproar; when you cause division between you as a couple and your parents or you as a couple and your friends or you as a couple and your church.

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- James 1:19 This you know, my beloved brethren. But everyone must be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to anger;

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- I Cor.13:7—love always trusts.

⁷ bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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 "Immorality/Impurity/Sensuality" (Gal.5:19-21)—illicit sexual activity; physical or mental fornication; whenever you get into a relationship and you go too far physically, that is of the flesh, not God.

Conclusion



 When you pursue marriage, you are selective. When you pursue love, sou are accepting.

- When you pursue marriage, you try to live up to certain expectations.
- When you pursue love, you don't worry about expectations.

- When you pursue marriage, you put up a front.
- When you pursue love, you are free and transparent.

 When you pursue marriage, you are impatient to wait.

- When you pursue marriage, you make all marriage plans before consulting others.
- When you pursue love, is you are willing to prove the relationship to the test of time.
- When you pursue love, you consult others first (including authorities over you—parents, spiritual leaders, etc.).

- When you pursue marriage, you are jealous and possessive.
- When you pursue marriage, you feel that marriage will resolve all your problems.
- When you pursue love, you are encouraged to cultivate other relationship
- When you pursue love, you are willing to solve problems before marriage.

 When you pursue marriage, you can become sexually promiscuous. When you pursue love, semotions are under self-control.

- When you pursue marriage, you're finding the right person.
- When you pursue love, you're being the right person.