

## Dating Eligibility Check List: Choosing Your Children's Parent

### Our Goal: To Love God and Enjoy His Presence

#### Forever—Success with a Partner

- ☐ Why do you want to get married?
- ☐ How long has he/she been a Christian?  
(Born again./personal relationship with Jesus/  
(practicing Christian)
- ☐ Is he/she baptized?
- ☐ What is God's calling on your life? What is God's  
calling on his/ her life?
- ☐ What are his /her spiritual gifts?
- ☐ What are the spiritual disciplines that are most  
meaningful to you?
- ☐ Does his/her pastor give him/her a 10?  
Yes / No    Grade \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Does his/her life group leader give her / him   a 10?  
Yes / No    Grade \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Discipleship: Who is discipling him/her? Who is he/  
she discipling?
- ☐ Serving: Where is he/she serving in Church?  
Where do his/her disciples    serve?
- ☐ Mission or no mission: Who are his/her Fav5's?

#### Money

- ☐ Has he/she had a job or 2 years or more?
- ☐ If he/she is student what are his/her grades?
- ☐ Does he/she have a written detailed budget?
- ☐ Does he/she live according to their budget?  
Yes/No.
- ☐ Money: Does he/she tithe? Is he/she debt free?

#### Sex: Better to Marry Than Burn with Lust

- ☐ When is the last time he/she looked at porn?
- ☐ How long has he/she ever gone without a  
woman/man?

### Track Record of Godly Living

The greatest predictor of future behavior is past behavior. Not promises of future behavior, not dreams of future behavior, not wishes, not passions ... past behavior!! Behavior You Want to See LIVED OUT for 2 years:

- ☐ Solidly following Jesus as his disciple (First and foremost!!!)
- ☐ Clean from drugs and alcohol
- ☐ Out of jail
- ☐ Out of last relationship / Divorce
- ☐ Living close to and supporting minor-aged children
- ☐ On the other side of widower / widowhood

### Clean Bill of Health

- ☐ From psychologist - would his/her counselor bless this marriage?
- ☐ Life group - would his/her life group leaders bless this marriage?
- ☐ Pastor - would his/her pastor bless this marriage?
- ☐ Doctor (sexual and mental health) - would his/her doctor bless this marriage?

### Leaving / Cleaving potential re: Father, Mother, Family of Origin

- ☐ How entwined with family is he/she in business?
- ☐ How entwined are they with his/her family financially?
- ☐ How entwined are he/she with their family legally?
- ☐ How self-individualized is he/she from familial roles?

### Gold Standard Pre-Engagement Counseling

- ☐ Abstain from sex
- ☐ Prepare Enrich Course
- ☐ Counselors:
  - ☐ Money
  - ☐ In-laws
  - ☐ Family of origin
- ☐ Life Group - accountability
- ☐ Alpha
- ☐ Baptism
- ☐ Sex
- ☐ Communication