

Marriage

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So I went to lunch with my Friend. She said; I have made a decision, I am going to leave my husband. How come ? What happened? Did he hurt you? Is he irresponsible? Does he gamble all the money away? I just don't love him anymore, she said. I was so shocked I don't think I said a word.

This woman has 3 beautiful kids. A big fine house and her husband is a doctor. And she just doesn't love him anymore. Do you think this divorce won't hurt those kids? You bet it will. She is putting her happiness before the happiness of her kids. How selfish of her. We live in a selfish society where this behavior is acceptable. This is wrong.

All the magazines tell you you need to go on a date with your husband once a week. What a waste of money! I would rather buy another barbie doll or a teenage mutant ninga turtle than pay for a baby sitter and an expensive dinner. Do you know how much fun I have seeing the turtles eat pizza with Barbie? In my oppinion there is nothing more fun. You will have plenty of time to be alone with your husband after they are grown and gone. This will come too soon. Did you ever hear an old woman say I wish I would have spent less time with my kids? You will have literly years and years alone with your husband. Don't wast time with your kids. Put your kids first.

I know a little girl, her Mom and Dad are divorced. And remarried. Now she has a Mom and a step mom. A Dad and a step Dad. And all their parents are alive that means she has 8 grandparents. Nope one set of grandparents are divorced and remarried. I think that is 10 grandparents. That is 2 parents houses, and 5 grandparents houses. Now where does she go at Christmas? There are not enough hours in the day to go to all of their houses. And if she skips some they get mad at her. Do you know why they are all mad at her? Because they are all very selfish. They all put their own happiness first. And our society teaches us this is acceptable! For her at Christmas time there are more people mad at her, than are happy with her. Christmas is not a happy time for her. She really doesn't come from a happy home. But you know her Mom needed to be happy.

I have another friend, she had 2 little boys, she was unhappy in her marriage. She was embarrassed to tell me the only reason she was staying with her husband was because of the money. She felt this was very wrong. No this is reality. Those kids need food and shoes.

If you have kids the rules change you don't have the luxery of leaving for such a silly reason as no love.

Not too long ago people had arranged marriages. They learned to love each other. You can make yourself fall in love. Lie. Say I love you even if you don't mean it. Pretend. What ever you pretend, you will become. I have been married for 33 years. Do you think every day has been in marital bliss? Now that is funny.

If he cheats on you, get out! You are setting an example for your kids. Some things are unacceptable. If there is abuse of any kind. Get out. But if your kids have a warm bed at night, food to eat, and clothes to wear. Than put their happiness before your happiness.

More thoughts

You can't change someone else.
Even your spouse. So you are married to a type A personality. And you say he NEEDS to take some time off and go on vacation. It is for his health.
No he doesn't. There are lots of type A's that live very long lives. Some don't, but your nagging him about it is wrong.

Never try to teach a pig to sing. It wastes your time and annoys the pig.

Let him work. So he isn't being a good father, because he doesn't spend any time with the kids. (I know a lady who had 2 little boys, one day when Daddy came home the littlest one didn't even know who his Daddy was.) You see there is always someone who has it worse than you. Tell your heavenly Father on him. God can change him or God can find another male role model for your kids. Maybe an Uncle, Grandpa or neighbor.

The barn is always bigger than the house.

If he likes football, let him like it. If he likes blue and you like red, let him wear blue. Don't try to change who he is. Guess what if he is a slob, pick up after him.

So he isn't a Christian, you can't change him. God can. Pray for the workers in the field. God can send someone to him who can talk to him. You will get into enough arguments with him about other stuff. Don't go around picking arguments with him even if it is about his faith. You walk a righteous path and let God take care of him. His body is your responsibility. Feed him good food. His spirit and his soul is not your responsibility. John 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. That says God has to draw him, you can't push him.

You don't need a project. You can't fix him. He doesn't think he is broken. He will have to answer for his own personality. You won't have to answer for his. If he is rude, try to ignore it as much as you can. You want him to love you for who you are, guess what message you are sending if you are trying to change him or his personality.

You can deal with neglect. It is not fun, it is not fair, but you can do all things through Christ who gives you strength. Philippians 4:13
Hebrews 11:27 says By faith (Moses) forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.

Do you know what that says? It says the way to endure is to pretend he is invisible. Just pretend he isn't there. Go about your day, do what you need to do and ignore him. So he said some terrible things last night. You know in your heart he is wrong. Try to pretend it didn't happen. Today is a new day. Don't bring it up again today. It didn't go so well last night what makes you think it will go any better today. It is hard to forget. Scripture never tells you to forget. But the Bible does say the way to endure is to see him as invisible.

As soon as you think you have him figured out, he will change, or you will. So be flexible.

If there is abuse, get out!

goals

I think one of the major problems right now in history is the lack of goals. Grandma never worked outside the home. She milked cows, fed the chickens and baked bread. She also carried water and washed her hair once a month. Ugg! I don't want to go there. She knew what she was supposed to do and she did it. No questions.

Mom had a job. She fed you wonder bread. You did fine. She was the poster girl for Rosie the riveter! She washed her hair once a week. Um Ok.

So now you don't know who you are supposed to be. You feel bad if you are a career woman because you are leaving your kids at home. You feel bad if you stay at home because you are not contributing financially to the family, and so you feel like you can't help make any of the financial decisions in the family. And you feel belittled. You are torn. Damed if you do and damed if you don't. Proverbs 29: Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

I had a friend, she told me she had to work because they really couldn't make it on her husbands salary. At the time she told me this, they were in the process of putting in an inground pool. Really? I felt that if she changed her lifestyle just a little bit they might be able to make it on her husbands salary. Do you really need to spend so much on vacation? Do you really need new furniture?

I feel there is alot more pressure put on women now. Not only are we expected to contribute financially, we are supposed to bake bread and look like a trophy wife while doing it! We have to be grandma and Mom. This means daily washing of the hair, and now we have to brush our teeth as well. lol

The decision for every woman is different. There are alot of different circumstances. After you decide what is expected of you, you can choose what to give up. After all there are only so many hours in the day. After you make the goal stick to it.

Subject: for the men from the men

From Jeff, Happy wife, happy life.
This means keep me happy!

From my brother, Every morning before he gets out of bed, he looks at his beautiful wife, and says; I'm sorry!
What can I do to make it up to you. lol

Ok enough of the funny business.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church and gave himself for it; 26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word.

That says, You have to love her even if you are humiliated by her. Like Christ was humiliated on the cross. Christ gave himself for the church. If she needs a kidney, you have to give yours to her. You know a kidney, or a car, or money for new shoes, you fill in the blank.

Husbands love your wives by bathing her in your words of love. Like, Honey you are smart, beautiful, courageous, patient, a wonderful mother, a good cook and a great lover! etc. You get the idea.

Subject: sex

Here is an idea. First read the Song of Solomon with a colored pencil. Now when the kids are gone or at least in their own beds, then get in bed and read parts of it out loud to your husband.

Some of it is funny, (Your teeth are like sheared sheep) sounds fuzzy to me.

Some of it is too personal to put here. You decide what is right for you.

You never know something just might come up.

Love
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