

You Make Me Crazy

Finding the Love of Your Life

I. Introduction

- A. Proverbs 12:26a (NIV) *A righteous man is cautious in friendship.*

II. Marriage Myths

- A. God chooses your mate for you.
- B. There's only one right person for you to marry.
- C. Love alone is enough reason to marry.

III. "Must Haves" in a Potential Mate

- A. We must have spiritual unity.
1. II Corinthians 6:14-15 (NAS) *¹⁴Do not be bound together with unbelievers; for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness?¹⁵Or what harmony has Christ with Belial, or what has a believer in common with an unbeliever?*
 2. Romans 1:12 (NLT) *When we get together, I want to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by yours.*
- B. We must have "life purpose" compatibility.
1. Amos 3:3 (NLT) *Can two people walk together without agreeing on the direction?*

- C. We must both be emotionally healthy.

IV. A Partial Checklist of Emotional Health

- A. Whoever I marry must have no uncontrolled anger.
1. Proverbs 22:24 (NAS) *Do not associate with a man given to anger; or go with a hot-tempered man.*
- B. Whoever I marry must have no addictions.
1. Proverbs 23:20 (NLT) *Do not carouse with drunkards or feast with gluttons.*

C. Whoever I marry must have no bitterness.

1. Hebrews 12:15b (NLT) *Watch out that no poisonous root of bitterness grows up to trouble you, corrupting many.*
2. You don't marry a person, you marry a family!

D. Whoever I marry must not be selfish.

1. *Philippians 2:3 (NAS) Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves.*

E. Whoever I marry must tell the truth.

1. *Proverbs 20:7 (NLT) The godly walk with integrity; blessed are their children who follow them.*
2. The starting place is for you to develop the best spiritual life that you could possibly develop!

V. **Conclusion**