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Reminder

The weekly newsletter of the church of Christ in Bellaire, Texas

How to Guarantee Marriage Failure

It is not difficult to make a marriage fail. Just as there are definite behaviors which guarantee success in marriage, there are also certain attitudes which assure the destruction of this relationship, if practiced in any appreciable measure.

It takes noticeable responsibility on the part of either companion to avoid the cultivation of these destructive forces. We are sure that all will agree that the bliss of happy marriage, or even the thought of such, underscores the importance of trying to avoid those qualities which would culminate in the destruction of marriage.

We here list some attitudes which will destroy a happy marriage relationship.

- 1. Coerce your companion.
- 2. Make slight remarks about your companion's ideas.
- 3. Practice vicarious living and brag about it.
- 4. Blame your companion often for his or her heritage.
- 5. Shout frequently at your companion as you seek to convince.
- 6. Make your companion feel rejected and guilty.
- 7. Treat your companion (and your children) disrespectfully.

- 8. Practice discourtesy toward your companion.
- 9. Refuse to listen to your companion's comments and explanations.
- 10. Be stubborn.
- 11. Refuse to be expressive of your feelings toward your companion
- 12. Refuse to set mature and responsible goals and take meaningful measures toward achieving such.
- 13. Be unwilling to admit known faults you are guilty of, and seek to place all blame on your companion.
- 14. Be a perfectionist (we could have just as easily said "be selfish").
- 15. Lose the adventure drive.
- 16. Judge the motives of your companion.
- 17. Refuse your companion praise.
- 18. Select the wrong moment to discuss critical situations.
- 19. Talk disrespectfully of your companion's relatives.
- 20. Worry a lot and refuse to become analytical toward your problems.
- 21. Keep secrets from your companion.
- 22. Be extremely independent and let your companion know that you have no need for him (or her).

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About Us

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Who Are We?

A group of God's children, striving to maintain the organization, doctrine and worship as taught in the New Testament.

Schedule of Services

Sunday:

9:30 AM Worship 11:00 AM Bible Study

Wednesday:

7:30 PM Bible Study

Matthew 7:12 NASB

In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

SERVICE

Welcome – M. Krueger Hymn Director – M. Krueger Opening Prayer – T. Walker Morning Lesson – B. Haley Announcements – M. Pharris Closing Prayer – M. Gomez

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Scott Clanton David Davila Dan Kimbrough Jesse Knapp Alex Morolez Gregory Williams

BIBLE CLASSES

Bible Questions and Answers Alex Morolez and Mark Mann Colossians 4:10-28; 1 Thess. Steve Garrett Graded classes for children

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Looking for a better future?

- 1. Deal with your past by seeking the forgiveness of God. If you have not obeyed the gospel you need to do that now! Read Hebrews 5:8-9. If you are an erring Christian you need to repent and ask God to forgive you. Read Acts 8:22 and 1 John 1:7-10.
- 2. If you have done wrong to others and have never corrected it, you need to do this right away. Read Matthew 5:23-24 and Ephesians 4:32.
- 3. Deal with the present by setting the right priorities. Make Christ central in your planning and living. Put spiritual values ahead of material things. Read Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 and Matthew 6:33.

NEWS AND NOTES

Continue praying for those of our number who have on-going health issues. Bob Stark, Deb Haley, Janice Kimbrough, Jan Cooper, Curby Stech, Laura Claburn, and Don Hurd. Fran Spencer has also been added to this list, as she is frequently in pain

Bob Stark was readmitted to the hospital last week, but was released on Thursday. He is doing well and gaining strength each day. Please pray for his continued recovery from the issues related to his heart.

Please remember our sister, Terri Sams, who is visiting here from Birmingham, Alabama while undergoing treatment at MD Anderson. She will start chemotherapy on Tuesday.

Check with the Foy family for updates on baby Levi, who was born several weeks premature. He may be able to come home soon!

The date of our Gospel Meeting has been set for October 7 -9 with Wayne Moody. There will be a singing on Sunday, October 9, at 1:45 pm, as well.

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