

Courtship Questions

Spiritual life

- What is the evidence of your salvation?
- What do you believe about the role of baptism?
- What about the Lord's supper--should everyone participate?
- Do you believe in infant baptism?
- Do you put a higher priority over church vs. family?
- What are your time commitments to church vs. family?
- What do you understand about God's purpose for the church?
- How do you feel about church attendance?
- How would you handle disagreements with church leadership?
- What about youth groups and activities without families?
- What about age segregated church classes?
- How do you view the Sabbath? What activities should children be allowed to do?
- What is the man/woman role in the church?
- When and what would lead to leaving or changing churches?
- What is your view of the celebrations such as Easter and Christmas? Any other holidays important?
- How will you celebrate birthdays?
- How will you celebrate Christmas?
- What about gifts for holidays or birthdays large or small? expensive or inexpensive?
- Are you faithful in church attendance? How long have you been at your church?
- What are your habits in prayer and bible study?
- What is your view on personal witnessing?
- What are your spiritual gifts? strengths?
- What is your father/mother's understanding of Christianity? How would you describe their personal character?
- Do you have a teachable spirit? Can you give examples?
- Recognizing we are all imperfect, in what areas do you think God wants you to improve the most?

Relationships

- Describe your relationship with father/mother? Is it honoring? Obedient?
- Describe relationship with each of your siblings.

Describe relationship with any other family members--grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc.

Describe relationship with friends. Are you peer-dependent?

Are you consistent in fulfilling your commitments? Examples.

Do you show a willingness to serve others? Is self-centeredness expressed in your life?

How do you relate to authority in your life?

Are you manipulative of others?

What kinds of situations cause frustrations in you? Do you get angry? Do you raise your voice when angered?

Have you ever had to deal with a broken relationship? Describe and share how you handled it.

How do you feel about the balance of job and family?

How do you feel about overtime work--evenings and Saturdays or Sundays?

When wife disagrees with husband--what should happen?

Should information ever be withheld from spouse? If so, what and when?

Decision making--what is wife's role? What is husband's role?

Role of father and mother in relationship to children

What are basic responsibilities of husband/wife?

What if either are negligent in area of responsibility?

How to handle disagreements with parents or in-laws.

Holidays with extended family at their home or yours?

The role of seeking counsel when making decisions.

When is it appropriate to reject the counsel of others?

How much time do you want spouse spending on activities away from home?

Do you like lots of company, or do you prefer more time to yourself and alone with your family?

Personal habits

Are your eating habits disciplined?

Any food dislikes? or likes?

Do you have any physical or mental disabilities or diseases? Any allergies? Any prior or current health problems?

What are your views on alcohol?

What are your views on smoking?

Are your spending habits disciplined? Do you tithe? What is your view of debt?

Describe your work ethic. Do you have a high standard of excellence? Do you tend to be slothful or a workaholic?

What is your discipline in studying?
Do you read? Who is your favorite author?
What are your sleep habits? Are your habits regular? Are you lethargic?
Are you organized?
Would you consider yourself neat or messy?
Are you a morning or night person?
Are you scheduled or more flexible?
Arrive early or late to commitments?
What are appropriate uses of leisure time?
What types of reading material, movies, TV, or music do you allow yourself?
What makes a good vacation? How often? What about cost?
Do you believe in date times for young parents?
Background music or quiet?
What are your views on saving for purchases? How would you go about doing it?
Would you invest money?

Marital roles

Are you more of a leader or follower in life? Examples.
In making decisions, what role does God's Word play?
What is your view on the role of a wife?
What are your views on women working outside of the home?
Division of work in home? Should man take out trash? Who should do shopping?
What are your views concerning divorce and remarriage.
How should a man provide for a wife and family?
How should a man protect a wife and children?
How do you feel about guns?
How do you see your relationship with your in-laws?
What has been your prior experience with dating and romance? Have you ever kissed or been physically intimate in any way?
What is your stand on abortion? What about in case of rape?
How do you relate to children?
What are your thoughts regarding birth control and family planning?
How many children do you hope to have?
What is your attitude toward adopting children?
What are your views on child training?
Make up some hypothetical situations and see how they would handle them?
Would you spank?
Who disciplines children when both parents are present?

Any sports involvement or extra activities for children?
How should daughters/sons be raised?
What if older children disagree with some of your beliefs?
How much should family be away from home when young, when older?
Dresses vs. pants on little girls, older girls
What are your views on homeschooling?
What are your thoughts on family worship?
When you fail someone, what actions do you take to rectify the situation?
Are you honest? Do you ever slant the truth for your own benefit?
In what ways do you think you may need to grow before marriage?
Schooling options - only homeschooling?
What are the goals you seek to reach as you school your children?
What subjects are most important?
Is college an option for older homeschooled children?

Moral standards

What are your views of standards for dress for woman and men?
What are your views on head coverings for women?
What are your views on public swimming?
Do you use offensive language?
Do you watch rated R, PG rated movies? What were last 5 movies you watched?
What kind of music do you prefer? Do you find any offensive?
What is your view on debt? Should you have it?
Buying things new vs old--what would you allow/dis-allow?
Have you ever had periods of rebellion? Are there any unsettled issues with your parents?

Miscellaneous Starter Questions

What is your attitude toward pets? Indoor? Outdoor?
When is resistance to government rational?
What is role of government?
Should you vote?
What are your political leanings?
What is (are) your favorite sources for news?
What are your interests, hobbies, talents?
What are your income producing (vocational) skills?
What is your attitude toward family (home) business?
What do you value most highly in life? What next?

What do you tend to do in your spare time?

What is your involvement in sports? Do you participate, attend games, watch it on TV? To what extent? What sports do you like?

If "your" daughter were marrying "you," what cautions would you have?

What are your thoughts on alternative medicine?

What are your thoughts on immunizations?

What about prenatal care and birth?

Do you prefer to live in the city, suburbs, town, or country; farm, seaside, mountains, or desert? Why?

Describe a typical week day in your life from start to finish.

Describe a typical Saturday in your life from start to finish.

Describe a typical Sunday in your life from start to finish.

Can you describe your life purpose, and how you intend to use your interests, experiences, skills, and talents to serve and glorify God?