

### **1) INVOLVE GOD**

Love and honor God in your lives. Read the Bible together. Pray together. Practice God's will. Let Him lead you through His Word.

### **2) TRULY LOVE ONE ANOTHER**

True love does not to seek what it can get, but rather what it can give.

Love is something that must be demonstrated constantly. Do not let one day go by without expressing your love for your spouse. Remain intimate and romantic.

### **3) DON'T EVEN CONSIDER DIVORCE**

Divorce should never be an option. Conduct your marriage as if divorce was illegal (because with one exception it is in God's eyes - Matthew 19:9).

### **4) COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER**

Always let your spouse know how

you feel. Be honest with each other. Have no secrets. Talk often and discuss everything.

### **5) DO THINGS TOGETHER**

Plan your future together. Carry on the present together. That way all your memories of the past will be one of togetherness. Work on your family finances together.

### **6) RESPECT ONE ANOTHER**

Honor, admire, and especially respect one another. Your spouse has certain elements that is important to their life--respect that. Give your spouse a little breathing room from time to time. Respect their wishes if indeed they are honorable.

### **7) DO LITTLE THINGS FOR EACH OTHER**

It's the little things that can make a big difference in a marriage. Cards, flowers, even doing the dishes can

literally make someone's day. Take the time to remain attractive to your spouse.

### **8) DO NOT NEGLECT YOUR SPOUSE**

Trouble always ensues when someone gets selfish and forgets that there are two in the marriage. Pay attention to each other, remain sexually devoted to one another, resolve to fulfill your better half's true needs.

### **9) ARGUE FAIRLY**

When two people marry, one hundred percent compatibility is never guaranteed. Disagreements will crop up from time to time. Never name call. Don't bring up the past. Stick to the issue at hand. Never put down the other person. Agree to disagree on certain subjects.

### **10) SEEK ADVICE FROM TIME TO TIME**

Don't be afraid to seek advice. However, don't take advice from everybody, but do seek good advice when it is needed. Family, friends, and church leaders can all be sources of proper advice on life and marriage. Of course, the best advice can be found in God's Word.

- by Edd Sterchi

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## **Service Times**

### **Sunday**

Bible Classes - 9:30 a.m.  
General Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship Hour - 6:00 p.m.

### **Wednesday**

Midweek Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.

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undenominational*

# **THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF A SUCCESSFUL MARRIAGE**

