"Finding The Person You Should Marry"

Lesson Text: **Genesis 2:18-24.**

I. Find Someone You Love & Loves You.

— What's Love Got To Do With It? Everything!
— Love Is More Than Physical Attraction; Financial Security; Chemistry Together….
— **I Corinthians 13:4-8a.**
— Sadly, Many Don't Know How To Love? They Are Selfish/Self-Centered In Their Love.
— Christ Teaches Us To Love Our Spouse— **Ephesians 5:25-33.**
— Examples Of Love: **1 Peter 3:3-6; Genesis 29:20; 1 Samuel 1:4-5.**
— How Do We Know When We Love Someone? When Their Needs Come First! Not Mine!

II. Find Someone Who Is Mature & Makes Good Decisions.

— Don't Marry Someone Who Is Too Immature And Foolish In All Their Decisions.
— But Rather Choose Someone Who Makes Good Decisions In Life!
- While No One Is Perfect— But Making Good Decisions Is A Choice.
- We Can Choose To Live For The Moment— Or Walk With Wisdom And Good Planning.

— God's Word Has So Much To Say About Wisdom In Every Day Life:
- **Proverbs 22:7; Proverbs 17:18; Proverbs 21:20; Proverbs 14:1.**

III. Find Someone Who Has Good Character & Morals.

— You Don't Want Someone With Bad Character: **1 Samuel 25:3; 25:25.**
— But Rather Someone Who Is A Good Person:
- Joseph of Arimethea In **Luke 23:50.**
- Barnabas In **Acts 11:24.**
- **1 Timothy 3:2.**
- **Titus 2:3.**

— Someone Who Will Speak Truth To You— Not Lies, Deception, & Guile.
— Someone Of Honest And Respectable Character (Noble).
— Someone Who Knows The Meaning Of Faithfulness & Commitment.

IV. Find Someone You Share Things In Common.

— **1 Peter 3:7.**
— Marriage Is About Doing Things Together For A Lifetime.
- Some Watch Movies & T.V. Shows Together.
- Some Play Sports Together.
- Some Enjoy The Same Music Together.
- Some Enjoy The Same Hobbies Together.

— These Ties Bind Couples Together In A Togetherness Frame Of Mind!

V. Find Someone Who Loves The Lord— A Christian.

— Who Better Than A Christian To Do All Of These Things?
— Someone Who Knows How To Love— Taught By God To Love **1 Thessalonians 4:9.**
— Someone Mature And Makes Good Decisions— Walking in God's Wisdom **Ephesians 5:15.**
— Someone With Good Character & Morals— Christian Morals **Titus 2:11-12.**
— Someone You Can Share Things In Common— Our Faith In God! **Philippians 1:27.**