

# NOW IS THE TIME

“The Holy Spirit and  
Your Marriage”

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**“The choice we make for a person to date , court, engage to, or marry is a direct reflection of our spiritual level and condition at the time we make the choice!”**

***(Sermon 6, p.1)***

- 1. The gift the Holy Ghost was promised by Jesus.**
- 2. Where the Holy Ghost is present, there is action.**
- 3. The Holy Ghost first contacts us in order to lead us to accept Christ as Lord and Savior of our lives.**

**4. The Holy Ghost presence given us at the beginning of our Christian walk must increase for us to successfully end our Christian walk.**

**5. We learned that the last days in filling of the Holy Spirit must be preceded by a cleansing ourselves from the junk of self.**

**6. We have learned that it is the Holy Spirit that empowers believers to stand for the truth.**

**7. We have learned that the Holy Spirit, must be honored, thanked, recognized, and included in every aspect of our life.**

**8. We learned that our temperament, though a natural asset, can be a detriment if not under the control of the Holy Spirit.**

**9. We learned that our natural God given temperament has both good and bad elements. By applying to us the Fruit of the Spirit, the Holy Ghost can over rule the bad and strengthen the good.**

**10. We learned that the Holy Spirit must guide you in the successful choice of a mate. His standards must be your standards.**

**“Marriage is a spiritual relationship not just a physical one. Therefore, it’s challenges can be successfully met only by two genuinely spiritual people.”**

*(from p. 1)*



***Spiritual....***

***God initiated and God  
sustained***

**Genesis 1:26 - Bring God's  
image.**

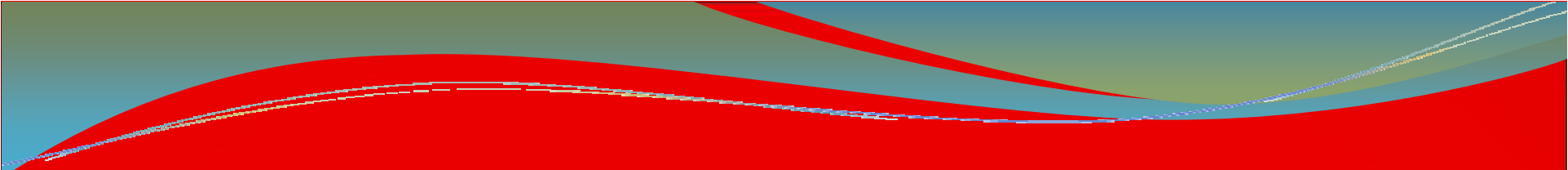
**Genesis 1:27 - Bring God's  
sexuality**

**Genesis 2:24 ,25 - Bring God's  
focus, commitment, unity and  
God's transparency.**

**Genesis 24:1-4 - Choose according to belief and practice.**

**Genesis 26:34, 35 - Choose where there is not grief.**

**Judges 3:5-7 - A marriage can strengthen or weaken spirituality.**



**“...building a marriage relationship over the years (and it does take years) incorporates some of the same principles that are required to be in relationship with the Almighty God!”**

**LOVE - Matthew 22:37-40**

**JOY - Psalm 4:7**

**PEACE - Romans 5:1; Philippians  
4:6,7**

**LONGSUFFERING - 1 Peter 2:23**

**GENTLENESS - Mark 10:13,14**

**GOODNESS - (selflessness;  
generosity) Titus 3:8**

**FAITH - Romans 10:17; Psalm  
27:14**

**MEEKNESS - Matthew 11:28**

**SELF-CONTROL - Proverbs  
16:32**

**Love - HATE**

**Joy - SADNESS; DEPRESSION;  
COMPLAINING**

**Peace - WORRY; INNER TURMOIL**

**Longsuffering - IMPATIENCE;  
INTOLERANCE**

**Gentleness - HARSHNESS;  
INDIFFERENCE; REVENGEFUL**

**Goodness - SELFISHNESS; SELF-CENTEREDNESS**

**Faith - DOUBT; FEAR; ANXIETY; INSECURITY**

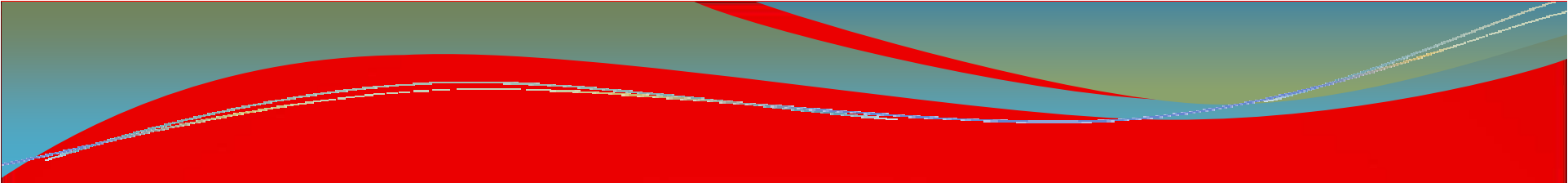
**Meekness - PRIDEFUL; SELF-SEEKING; LACK OF FORGIVENESS**

**Self-control (Temperance) - RAGE; ANGER; JEALOUSY, BLAME**



**Thou shalt have no  
other gods before me.**

*Exodus 20:3*



**Thou shalt not make unto thee  
any graven image, or any  
likeness of any thing that is in  
heaven above, or that is in the  
earth beneath, or that is in the  
water under the earth.**

*Exodus 20:4*

**Thou shalt not take the name  
of the LORD thy God in vain;  
for the LORD will not hold  
him guiltless that taketh his  
name in vain.**

*Exodus 20:7*

**Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

**Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:**

**But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:**

**For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.**

*Exodus 20:8-11*

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*Exodus 20:8, 9*

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nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that  
is within thy gates.**

*Exodus 20:10*

**For in six days the LORD made  
heaven and earth, the sea, and  
all that in them is, and rested  
the seventh day: wherefore the  
LORD blessed the sabbath day,  
and hallowed it.**

*Exodus 20:11*

**Honour thy father and thy  
mother: that thy days may be  
long upon the land which  
the LORD thy God  
giveth thee.**

*Exodus 20:12*



**Thou shalt not kill.**

*Exodus 20:13*



**Thou shalt not  
commit adultery.**

*Exodus 20:14*



**Thou shalt not steal.**

*Exodus 20:15*

**Thou shalt not bear  
false witness against  
thy neighbour.**

*Exodus 20:16*

**Thou shalt not covet thy  
neighbour's house, thou shalt not  
covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his  
manservant, nor his maidservant,  
nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any  
thing that is thy neighbour's.**

*Exodus 20:17*

