

Integrity in Dating

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Integrity in dating – for women

1. Maintain absolute integrity in every way in your personal life – submit to proper authority that God has placed over you.
2. Give your heart and commitment *to her* before/without demanding that *from her*. Christ gives himself for us and waits for us to respond to him.
3. Stand for truth, be a real man, take a Biblical stand on issues.
4. Keep your heart in the Scripture and be sensitive to the Holy Spirit.
5. Be a Spiritual and moral leader, especially in the dating relationship – do not make her carry the conscience for the behaviors during courtship.
6. Share your vision with your girlfriend to see if it is a vision that you together are willing to follow
7. Earn her trust before marriage – it is difficult to earn trust after marriage.
8. Guard her heart, reputation, character, and honor – sometimes she will be vulnerable – protect her at those moments and she will know that you truly love her.
9. Value her opinions – God can speak to you through her.
10. Give her space to be herself – she is an individual created by God – she does not belong to you.
11. Fall in love with her heart, not her body – bodies are everywhere, hearts are unique.
12. Love is gift from God. Accept it graciously. Give it freely.

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1. Have your heart fixed on God - Invest time in The Word.
2. Be respectful to the men in your life.
3. Always be modest in dress and behavior.
4. Maintain absolute integrity in personal life.
5. Submission to authority.
6. Be discreetly friendly without being inappropriate.
7. Require men to be honest and prove themselves.
8. Do not give your heart to every man who shows you attention.
9. Do not try to be his “mother” –
that sets you up to be his mother all your life.
10. Guard your heart – not get involved in intimate conversations too soon.
11. Relax and be yourself.
12. Do not flirt but be friendly and be secure in who God made you to be.

Girls - Ten Commandments for Girls

1. Your beauty is your integrity
2. Your strength is your courage
3. Your happiness is your faith
4. Your joy is your Godliness
5. Your modesty is your character
6. Your love is your grace
7. Your kindness is your mercy
8. Your hospitality is your caring
9. Your confidence is your endurance
10. Your meekness is your quietness

Dating notes

God's plan for family

How to find life partner?

Causal dating of 1950s - 60s

My experience – very positive – (12)

Needed to find way to talk to girl – no easy way

Transition

I kissed dating goodbye

Attempts to make dating perfect

There are some storybook romances – sets an unrealistic tone

Current situation

Princesses vs. prince

Needs to be perfect

Luxury of Bible schools, etc.

Men pray for long time – ask Dad- get turned down 4 times

Some girls not asked – some asked many times – good girls overlooked

Passive fathers and aggressive mothers – sons look for aggressive girls

Matriarchal girls

My suggestions

Keep your life clean - I have no images in my mind

Love everyone – develop friendships –

get to know to see if you like the person – romance

Compatibility

Friendship to dating

If you are friends it is not so important if person is tall, short, etc.

Be ready to serve that person for all your life

Wedding trip – accident – plastic surgery

Our sons experiences

Talk to girl, accept friendship that could lead to dating, call dad, etc.