

# THINKING ABOUT MARRIAGE

1. I think everyone ought to get married (put an "x" on the continuum).

Definitely Yes

Definitely No

2. If a person decides for the option of marriage, I think generally the best age for marriage would be: (circle the best answer)

Girls – 16    17    18    19    20    21    22    23    24    25    26    27    28    29    30    Over 30

Guys – 16    17    18    19    20    21    22    23    24    25    26    27    28    29    30    Over 30

3. When you are married, are you considered an adult, regardless of age? (Circle one)    Yes    No

4. What do you think of the following statement:

"God has made one special person in the world for you to marry." (Put an "x" on the continuum.)

Strongly Agree

Strongly Disagree

5. Marriage is: (Rank these from 1 to 5)

\_\_\_ A legal statement    \_\_\_ A social custom    \_\_\_ God ordained    \_\_\_ A religious ceremony    \_\_\_ A parent pleaser

6. Most people get married because: (Rank these from 1 to 5)

\_\_\_ They have to    \_\_\_ They want to have kids    \_\_\_ They love each other    \_\_\_ Tax benefits    \_\_\_ Sex

7. Our concept of marriage is most influenced by: (Pick top three)

\_\_\_ Friends    \_\_\_ Television    \_\_\_ Movies    \_\_\_ Other adults    \_\_\_ Parents    \_\_\_ Church    \_\_\_ Books    \_\_\_ Celebrities    \_\_\_ Tradition

8. What are the top priorities in marriage? (Rank from 1 to 10)

\_\_\_ Children    \_\_\_ Sex    \_\_\_ Communication    \_\_\_ Mutual trust/confidence in the other person    \_\_\_ Religion/faith

\_\_\_ Mutual interests    \_\_\_ Finances/security    \_\_\_ In-law relationships    \_\_\_ Faithfulness    \_\_\_ Romantic love

9. Divorce is wrong (choose the best answer or answers):

\_\_\_ Always (no exceptions)    \_\_\_ Except when adultery is involved    \_\_\_ Except when both are incompatible

\_\_\_ Except when you don't love each other any more

10. Divorce is (choose the best answer or answers):

\_\_\_ Better than living together when you hate each other    \_\_\_ A necessary evil    \_\_\_ A possibility for any one of us    \_\_\_ A cop out

\_\_\_ Never okay when children are involved    \_\_\_ Sin

11. Living together (not married) is (put an "x" on the continuum):

Wrong (always)

Okay (always)

12. Living together (not married) is (choose best answer or answers):

\_\_\_ Better than traditional custom of dating    \_\_\_ The best way to determine if marriage will last    \_\_\_ Is not the same as marriage

\_\_\_ Is more acceptable than marriage    \_\_\_ Is the best alternative to marriage    \_\_\_ None of the above