

Date Approved:	
Pastor:	

Pre-Marital Questionnaire

Please fill out this form as completely as you can. Once you're done, you can drop it off at our info counter or church office.

Aside from your decision to receive Christ, marriage is one of the most important commitments a person can make. When two Christians decide to marry, they're not just making a vow before their friends and family, they're also vowing before God to stay true to the promise they've made. For this reason, marriage should be approached prayerfully, patiently, and honestly.

At Refuge, we believe that God designed marriage to be a union between a man and a woman (Genesis 2:24). We also believe that God desires for Christians to marry fellow Christians (2 Corinthians 6:14).

With all that in mind, in order to move forward with pre-martial counseling, we'd like to get to know you a little better! After submitting this form, you'll have an initial meeting with one of our pastors, and then we'll offer a 6 week pre-marital course where you'll receive tools to enrich your marriage.

Today's date://		
Name:		Age:
Address:		Zip:
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
Email:		
Fiancés Name:		
Address:		Zip:
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
Email:		
Two Year Employment History		

Spiritual Inventory A. Are you a "born again" Christian? _____ If yes, long?_____ B. Is your fiancé a "born again" Christian? If yes, long? C. Briefly share about your relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ: D. Briefly state your views regarding the Bible's authority and place in your life. **General information** A. Have you set a tentative date for getting married? If yes, when? B. Do you plan on getting married at Refuge? C. Do you have a preferred Pastor to officiate the ceremony? D. Do you attend Refuge Calvary Chapel HB? If yes, how long? E. If you don't attend Refuge, do you attend another church?

What church?

<u>Previ</u>	ous Marriage History (SKIP if not applicable)
A.	Have you been previously married?If yes, how many times?
B.	Dates and duration of previous marriage(s):
C.	Name(s) of ex-spouse(s):
D.	Is the divorce final? When?
E.	Do you have any children? Ages:
F.	Explain custody and visitation arrangements:
G.	Why was the marriage terminated?
	g History & Engagement Period
	Have you ever been interviewed for marriage at Calvary before?
	When? By whom?
	Have you been engaged to anyone else before?
D.	What ended that engagement?
E.	How long have you and your fiancé known each other?
F.	How long have you been dating each other?
G.	How long have you been engaged?
H.	Have you or your fiancé ever lived together?
	Note: If YES, please see our stance on this matter in the Final Note section at
	the very end of this form.

Your Concepts of Marriage A. Why are you getting married? B. What do you expect of marriage? (briefly finish statement): "I expect to get... "I expect to give... C. Do your parents know of your engagement? _____ D. Do your parents approve of your marriage? E. Describe what you believe should be the husband's role in marriage: F. Describe what you believe should be the wife's role in marriage: Communication A. What subjects have you talked about? (please check all that apply) a. Communication _____ Finances ____ Sex____ b. Goals _____ Expectations _____ Needs c. Goals for self Goals together Family

d. Roles (responsibilities) _____ Other ____

B.	Of the topics above, which have produced stress in your relationship?
C.	Who does most of the talking when you are alone together?
D.	In what way do you communicate to your fiancé that you are angry?
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E.	When you do become bothered about something, what is your behavior like?
F.	How does your fiancée communicate to you the things that bother him/her about your behavior or lifestyle?
G.	What is the primary way your fiancée expresses his/her love or affection?
Н.	How do you express your love or affection to your fiancé?

A. Is there any reason why you cannot have a normal sex life or have children? B. State any fears you have concerning sexual intimacy: C. Is there any event in your past that might hinder your future sexual intimacy? D. Have you talked about sex with your fiancé? E. State areas where you feel you still have questions concerning sex: F. State your views on pre-marital sexual relations: G. Have you been or are you now sexually active in this present relationship?

Final Note:

1) If you have been **sexually active** with your fiancé, the Bible says there is forgiveness (1 Jn.1:9), not condemnation (Rom.8:1). It also tells us that sex is a gift from God (James 1:17). Yet, this gift is *not* to be opened until you two are married (He.13:4).

So, if you have *prematurely opened* His wedding gift, stop, repent, and then get ready for the unique blessing of doing marriage God's way! :)

- 2) If you are living together but think you can abstain from sexual activity:
 - You may think you have the strength of Samson, recall that he wasn't even strong enough for this battle (Judges 16).
 - You likely underestimate the attraction to your fiancé and will set yourself up for failure (Rom.13:14).
 - You will paint a confusing picture to your family & neighbors of God's image of purity (1 Thes.5:22).
 - You will miss out on a priceless opportunity to show God, your spouse, and
 other observers that nothing is more important to you than your relationship
 with God, that you'll cheerfully do whatever it takes to please Him, and start
 this new chapter of your life story the right way (Mt.7:24-25)
- 3) Completion of this form is not a guarantee that your wedding will be held here at Refuge. All Pre-Marital Questionnaires are reviewed prayerfully before they are approved. All wedding dates are tentative until your Pre-Marital course is completed.

Please sign here to indicate you've fully read the Final Note section:

With that said and done, please submit this completed form by dropping it off at our

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