

## Advice to Lovers

Q: I would like to know must I know a lady well so that I may approach her and make friendship with her or can I make friendship with her and then get to know her as I court her. If the latter alternative is Ok and then later in our courtship I realise that the relationship cannot work out(since she has liberal beliefs or she's not honest and trust worthy or for some other good reason which I discover about her) would it not be very wrong to hurt her feelings by asking her that we break the relationship because we do not agree completely in our beliefs. Is courtship a guarantee that I will marry her? and is it wrong or a sin to break a relationship when I realise the one I wanted to marry is not a good person? please help me on this!

Reply: Of course it is not wrong to discontinue a courtship--that is what a courtship is for. Even an engagement is better broken if there arises any doubt--even the week before the marriage!! Believe me--I am speaking from real observations.

It is essential that you marry someone of LIKE FAITH-- not just someone who claims the same religion if you know what I mean and I am sure you do.

To get to know a person it is important not to just go to entertainments or events-- because you will never see the real person that way. You need to visit in the home and take careful note of their attitude towards their parents. A girl that is disrespectful or rebellious towards her father will never make a good wife.

You need to notice their attitude towards housework and other work--are they perfectly happy to allow their mother to do the work while they visit or socialize?? These are all important points.

A Girl that is a clinging vine and drapes herself on you is not a good choice either even though it may flatter your ego.

Whatever you do though-- do NOT allow sexual involvement or compromising situations to come into the courtship!!! You need to know the personality of the person and if sex comes in--there is no chance of dealing with wisdom in the situation. Even hugs and kisses should wait until marriage!!! Be wise now--asking God for wisdom and you may avoid having your life torn up by regret and losing all chance for true happiness!

Here is another thing I have found that ruins women--reading or watching fiction or novels, movies, TV all that stuff. It causes the person to live in an unreal world and unfits them to function properly in the real world.

Never continue a relationship just because you do not want to hurt someone's feelings. Make no rash or hasty promises and you will not have to break any! =^..^=