

A Marriage That Will Not Fail

Part 2

Matthew 5,6,7

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- **Avoid Retaliation. Matthew 5:38-39**
 - Vindictive attitudes must not be allowed. **Romans 12:17ff**

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- **Avoid Conditional Love. Matthew 5:43-48**
 - Husbands love your wives. **Ephesians 5:25**
 - Wives love your husbands. **Titus 2:3-5**
 - Characteristics of love. **1 Corinthians 13:4-8**

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- **Avoid Hypocrisy. Matthew 6:1-2,5,16**
 - “Let love be without hypocrisy.” **Romans 12:9**

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- **Avoid Materialism. Matthew 6:19-34**
 - Misplaced values. **Luke 12:15ff; cf. Colossians 3:2**
 - Respectable worldliness. **Luke 14:15ff**
 - Money can buy cosmetics, but not real beauty.
 - Money can buy a house, but not a home.
- Price of the soul worth more than all. **Matthew 16:26**

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- **Avoid petty criticism. Matthew 7:1-5**
 - “In the multitude of words there wanteth not transgression; but he that refraineth his lips doeth wisely” **Proverbs 10:19**
 - “The tongue of the righteous is as choice silver” **Proverbs 10:20**
 - “Set a watch, O Jehovah, before my mouth; Keep the door of my lips” **Psalms 141:3**
 - “Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles” **Proverbs 21:23**

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- **Avoid petty criticism. Matthew 7:1-5**
“He that guardeth his mouth keepeth his life; but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction” Proverbs 13:3
“A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in network of silver” Proverbs 25:11
“Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words? There is more hope of a fool than of him” Proverbs 29:20

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- **Avoid petty criticism. Matthew 7:1-5**
Proverbs 21:9 25:24 *“It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, Than with a contentious woman in a wide house.”*
Proverbs 21:19 *“It is better to dwell in a desert land, Than with a contentious and fretful woman.”*
Proverbs 26:21 *“(As) coals are to hot embers, and wood to fire, So is a contentious man to inflame strife.”*

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- **Apply the golden rule. Matthew 7:12**
- Treat your companion like you would like them to treat you!

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- Practice golden rule
- Avoid petty criticism
- Avoid materialism
- Avoid hypocrisy
- Avoid conditional love
- Avoid retaliation
- Avoid deception
- Do not divorce
- Do not commit adultery
- Do not murder

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