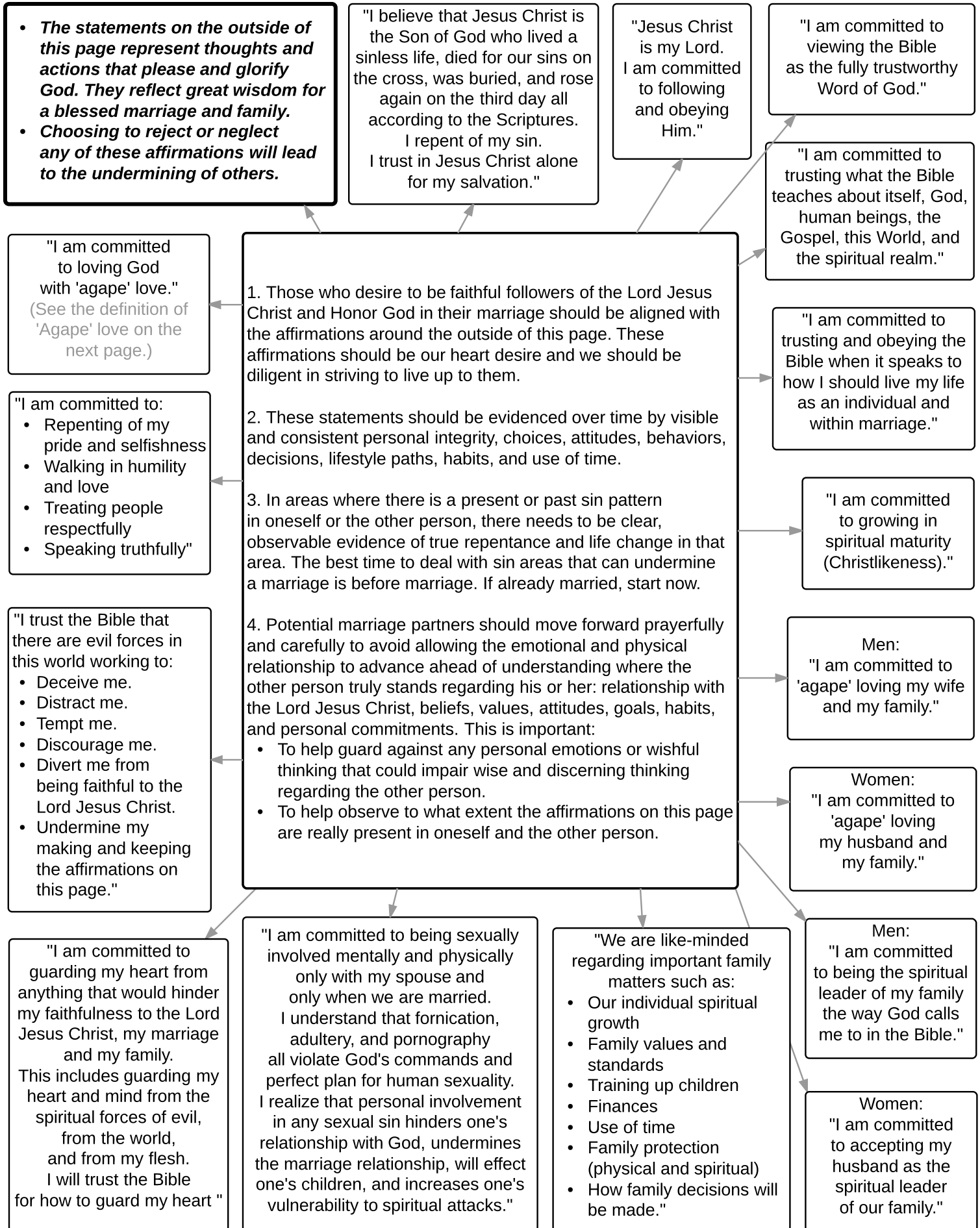


Trust God and the Word of God Regarding Marriage

- What to Be as a God-Honoring Marriage Partner
- What to Look for in a God-Honoring Marriage Partner



Important Questions

"Agape" love (Strong's numbers G25 and G26 for the Greek words 'Agape' and 'Agapao' in the Bible) in the context of this document refers to the kind of love characterized by:

- *Truly wanting and doing what is best for another person according to God and not according to worldly standards*
- *Sacrificing personal desires and interests for the other person's best interests (according to God)*
- *Not expecting or requiring something in return.*
- *'Agape' loving the God of the Bible involves being totally devoted to:*
 - *Trusting Him*
 - *Obeying Him*
 - *Living for Him.*

1. Do I view any of the affirmation statements on the front page as not being important?

2. How concerned would I be if my potential marriage partner viewed some of these affirmation statements as not being important for us individually or for our marriage and family?

3. Do any of these affirmation statements reveal areas of my life that could become a serious problem for my future marriage and family:
(1) according to the Bible or
(2) in the eyes of spiritually mature Christians?

4. Do any of these affirmation statements reveal areas in the life of my potential marriage partner that could become a serious problem for our future marriage and family:
(1) according to the Bible or
(2) in the eyes of spiritually mature Christians?

5. Do any of these affirmation statements reveal areas in my life that God, through the Bible, says I must deal with in my relationship with Him?

6. Do any of these affirmation statements reveal areas in my potential marriage partner's life that God, through the Bible, says he or she must deal with in his or her relationship with Him?

7. Am I receiving advice from spiritually mature Christians that I don't feel like following?

- If so, have I sought additional counsel from other spiritually mature Christians?
- If not, why not?
- What does the Bible say about this matter?