

A WEDDING STORY

Matthew 1:18-25

Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us). When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

Marriage takes Trust

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Marriage takes being one another's Champion

Romans 12:9-13

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.

Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

I Thessalonians 5:11

Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

Marriage is built on God

Ephesians 5:22-28

22 Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.
23 For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, ...25 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her,.. 28 In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

Marriage is a story of Restoration

Ephesians 4:32

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.