

The following sample pages are extracted and condensed from the workbook. This section in the workbook is 18 pages.

**GETTING TO KNOW YOU**

Because of the limited space provided, feel free to use additional paper to write as much as you want. These questions, and your answers to them, will be fuel for discussion, learning, growth, and for enriching your relationship.

- 1. How long have you known each other? \_\_\_\_\_  
When did you start dating casually? \_\_\_\_\_  
When did you start seriously dating? \_\_\_\_\_  
When were you engaged? \_\_\_\_\_

- 2. When, where, how did you first meet each other?

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- 3. What first attracted you to your fiancé(e)? \_\_\_\_\_

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- 4. After your first meeting, how did you come to know each other? What was it like when you crossed over the line from friendship to commitment and love? How did you begin to be in love?

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- 5. Describe your idea of the “ideal” marriage. \_\_\_\_\_

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- 6. Describe your idea of the “ideal” spouse. \_\_\_\_\_

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7. Do you believe that your fiancé(e) is the one specific person God has for you? \_\_\_\_\_

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. If you believe this, but you or your fiancé(e) should break the engagement, what effect would this have on your belief about him/her being sent by God or being the only one for you?

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9. Do you believe there are others who could potentially be a good mate? \_\_\_\_\_

10. What do you think are the most important factors that make a marriage a success? \_\_\_\_\_

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11. Using one word, characterize your relationship. \_\_\_\_\_

12. What thoughts does the word “marriage” bring to your mind? \_\_\_\_\_

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13. What expectations or hopes do you have for your marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

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14. List the reasons (in order of importance to you) why you want to marry your fiancé(e).

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- 15. On a scale of 1-5 (5 is best), how comfortable are you in this relationship? \_\_\_\_\_
- 16. Are you comfortable enough with each other to have had: (Yes / No)  
Disagreements? \_\_\_\_\_ Arguments? \_\_\_\_\_ Fights? \_\_\_\_\_ Anger? \_\_\_\_\_
- 17. Are you comfortable with each other when seen at their worst emotionally and relationally? \_\_\_\_\_
- 18. Are you comfortable with each other when seen at their worst physically, i.e., sick, unkempt, without makeup, scraggly, smelly, and having bad breath? \_\_\_\_\_
- 19. Have you seen each other under major stress such as job loss, work pressure, death of a friend or family member, sickness, or family conflicts? \_\_\_\_\_
- 20. List a few of the major stresses or crises you have gone through while engaged.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
- 21. How have you or your fiancé(e) responded to these events? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 22. List several pleasant events / milestones in your relationship. \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 23. List several painful or unpleasant events / milestones in your relationship. \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 24. What are the strong points in your relationship? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 25. What are the weak points in your relationship? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 26. Have you addressed these weak points? \_\_\_\_\_ What have you done to change them? \_\_\_\_\_  
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