

# Saving The Marriage

**“Take My Yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you shall find Rest for your Souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light” —Jesus Christ (read Matt 11:28-30)**

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## The Marriage, yoke of 2, believer & unbeliever?

### Pre-Marriage Wisdom:

This Month of October 2008, I want to Encourage You to look to **The Gracious God for help in Selecting Your Lifetime Spouse**, and **Saving Your Marriage**, even when One of you may not **hold on to The Faith**, or perhaps you've become a **Christian Believer since you Married Your Spouse**, and the Spouse that is with you, may **not yet have Received Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord!**

To begin this Letter, I want to Encourage Anyone Contemplating Marriage. You may feel an intense Passion for the Man or the Woman close to you. You may be **considering a life of togetherness. Do Get Counsel!**

It takes so much more than passion to see a Marriage through to it's completeness.

There is a Very Good Reason Why The Bible Teaches us to **start out, And Continue in, a Fully Christian Marriage, by being Equally Yoked Right from the start.** (read 2 Corinthians 6:14-15)

Don't Start a Marriage being Unequally—(differently, discordantly) —Yoked Together with unbelievers. For **what fellowship has righteousness with unrighteousness., and what Communion has light with darkness?**

**And what concord has Christ with Belial** (a name of the devil), or what part has he (or she) that Believeth with an **infidel** (only the unbeliever **in Jesus, The Christ**)?

**A Yoke...** is the beam of the balance between 2 walking together., or a coupling of 2 walking Together, instead of separately!

### Saving Your Marriage, even with an unbelieving Spouse:

Now, this is additional wisdom from the great Apostle Paul, yet he **says it is not a direct commandment from The Lord, Supreme in Power and Authority., over His Church:**

1 Corinthians 7:12- ....if any **Brother has a Wife, that Believes Not, Yet she is Pleased to dwell with him**, let him **not put her away** (from her 'home' by separation/divorce).

At one time or another we all act & look like unbelievers, untrustworthy, disbelieving, “unbeliever” can be a broad term that could apply to many, if not all.

If your unbelieving Spouse (wife or husband) (**be willing to cohabit**, feel complete in the marriage with you, assents to it, thinks well of dwelling together, feels gratified with her (or his) Spouse) —Do not separate or divorce, no matter how much the world or Even the church thinks it necessary. **Love for Jesus Christ can well up in the heart of anyone, no matter how unlikely it appears to be.** Are we not all sinners being **Saved by the Grace of Jesus Christ?** If You have been **Accepted by Christ**, Don't put an unbeliever **Away from You.**

Do not forsake a **Spouse Jesus Loves enough to have Sacrifice His Life For.**

—**Since Christ died for us unbelievers**, before we became believers, what right have we to **judge them as unfit for Christ's Saving Grace?** The Holy Spirit wants to draw them into Christ, making them also an important part of God's New Family.

“And the Wife that has a Husband that believes **not**, if he be pleased to dwell with Her (the believing Wife), let her not leave him.” (don't yield him up, or forsake him, don't depart, separating yourself from him). —WHY ???

The reason being, that while the believer **is with** the unbelieving, the Believing One can show the unbelieving **the direction of Sanctification (a setting apart for Christ)**. And hopefully, away from a future of immorality, apart from the Marriage bed.

When the believer has done all to Save their marriage, and the unbeliever wants 'freedom', Let the unwilling go, you are not blamed. You yourself **live in Peace!**