

Weddings Extension Work and Personal Search

"Since they are no longer two but one, let no one separate them, for God has joined them together."

(The Bible, Matthew chapter 19 verse 6, NLT)

"... Submit to one another ... husbands must love your wives with the same love Christ showed the church. He gave up his life for her ... In the same way, husbands ought to love their wives as they love their own bodies."

(The Bible, Ephesians chapter 5 verses 21 - 28, NLT)

"Give honour to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage. God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery."

(The Bible, Hebrews chapter 13 verse 4, NLT)

"God gives some the gift of marriage, and to others he gives the gift of singleness"

(The Bible, 1 Corinthians chapter 7 verse 7, NLT)

1. Why do Christian couples believe that they should "let no one separate them"?
2. This Bible passage is always quoted in the Christian marriage service. What does it mean?
3. What do Christians mean by "submit to one another"?
4. Give some examples of the ways in which a married couple could put each other first. What do you think about these ideas? Could there be extreme circumstances when it would be wrong to do this?
5. What do Christians believe about sex and celibacy?
6. What do you think about these beliefs? Could there be some practical reasons why Christians believe that this is "God's best"?