Qualities of a Godly Spouse

On a recent Focus on the Family broadcast, "The Search for a Godly Spouse I-II," Pastor Alistair Begg described the qualities that Christians should look for in a potential spouse (based on 1 Peter 3:1-7).

Women should look for a man who:

- Is committed to growing in his relationship with Jesus Christ;
- Is an individual of obvious integrity;
- Can think for himself, make good decisions, and demonstrates qualities of servant leadership;
- Can love sacrificially;
- Can laugh heartily, even at himself;
- Models genuine humility.

Men should look for a woman who:

- Has a personal faith and trust in Jesus Christ;
- Possesses beauty that is deeper than the skin (a gentle spirit);
- Is an initiative-taker with an attitude of submission;
- Is trustworthy and builds her husband's confidence;
- Displays kindness that touches others;
- Has a sense of humor.

In addition to looking for a person with these qualities, singles can ensure they will be attractive to that person by developing these characteristics in themselves.

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