True Love Waits

True Love Waits is a movement that many Christian Teenagers are joining in recent months. The True Love Waits Commitment is that a teenager will remain sexually pure until marriage. Many teenagers are taking this a step further by deciding not to date while in High School, but rather to commit to Christ and winning souls for Him.

Do you know that most people become Christians during their teenage years. It is scary to think that teenagers at High Schools have the greatest mission field - and many times they are scared to witness to those around them. They may be the only Christian that they ever interact with. This is true even in the United States!

DATING QUESTIONS

1. Why am I dating?

Rom. 13:24 "But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to *fulfil* the lusts *thereof*."

- 2. Is the person I am dating a Christian?
- 2 Cor. 6:14 "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"
- 3. Am I involved in sexual impurity?
- 4. Do I love the person I am dating, or am I dating for other reasons?
- 5. Does God approve of my relationship who I am dating, why I am dating, what I am doing in my relationship?
- 2 Tim. 2:22 "Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart."

What the Bible says about sex.

Hebrews 13:4 "Marriage *is* honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge."

1 Cor. 6:18 "Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. ¹⁹What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? ²⁰For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's."

1 Cor. 7:2 "Nevertheless, *to avoid* fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband."

1 Peter 2:11 "Dearly beloved, I beseech *you* as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;"

Celebrity Quotes on Saving Sex for Marriage



AMANDA PENIX Miss Oklahoma USA 2000

"I'm saving sex for marriage because I want it to be something wonderfully special between my husband and myself. I don't want him to compare me to anyone else and I don't want to compare him. It's important to let others know about your decision to save sex for marriage — don't be embarrassed."

KIM HILL

Singer and Songwriter

"The decision to have sex outside of marriage results in a slow, subtle kind of death. It's the death of innocence and purity. The shattering of dreams. The numbing of a once vibrant, youthful spirit. The word abstinence implies denial and all sorts of negative restrictions. In truth, though, abstinence means wholeness and freedom and peace. A life of virtue can be a difficult road, but it's a road of promise and excellence, and one without regret."



A.C. GREEN

Basketball star on the Los Angeles Lakers' 2000 World Championship

"I'm proud to say that I am a virgin, and I don't hide the strength God has given me. You have to learn to respect yourself before you can start respecting other people."

Source: A.C. Green Youth Foundation, Inc., 1-800-AC-YOUTH, www.acgreen.com

KIRK CAMERON

Actor

"Sex within marriage is the only kind that's truly fun and exciting — the kind that lasts for a lifetime. I'm glad I waited."



BRETT BUTLER

Brett recently retired from the Los Angeles Dodgers as one of the top 25 leadoff hitters in the history of professional baseball. In 1996, after 16 years of playing professionally, he was diagnosed with cancer. He was never expected to play again, but overcame the disease and continued to play successfully with the Dodgers. "Making love is a wonderful thing between a husband and wife in marriage. God promises that He will bless that relationship. The marriage relationship will not be as fulfilling if you don't abstain from sex before marriage. There is a danger of bringing emotional scars into marriage if you have sex in relationships prior to marriage."



KIMBERLY GLOUDEMANS Miss California Teen USA 1997

"It's been echoed to teens over and over again – we are 'Generation X' – we have no morals, no dreams and no future. But I know I am not a part of that same generation. In fact, millions of teenagers are finding out the same thing about themselves. We decided to rise above the constant stereotyping. We have morals and are standing up for what we believe in. We are setting goals and we are achieving them. I strongly believe we are 'Generation X-cellence'. "Because of that I am saving sex for marriage. I know God has great things destined for me and I don't want to let premarital sex, STDs or anything else stop me from reaching those great things. Virginity is a gift I can only give once. It can't be bought or earned. By saving this gift for marriage, I am saying, 'My whole life I have been committed to one. You are that one.'"

JESSICA SIMPSON

Singer

"I promised God, my father and my future husband that I would remain a virgin until I got married. I just always knew it was something I wanted to do."

More reasons that you should wait

The Bible

All of above reasons are good reasons not to have pre marital sex even if you do not believe in the bible, and should be enough to convince someone to wait for marriage before having sex. however, there are also biblical reasons for remaining pure.

The risk of damaging your testimony as a Christian

It is commonly known that Christians are expected to wait until marriage for sex. If you have sex before that time then you effectively ruin your witness

as a Christian. Don't think that others won't find out what you are doing in secret.

The risk of disobeying God

True Love Waits tells us: "The Bible, time after time tells us to flee sexual sins. Why? Because it is a major strategy of the devil to sabotage God's work on Earth."

The Bible states:

1 Thessalonians 4:3 "It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality;"

In conclusion, do not let anyone tell you that you don't love them if you won't have sex with them. True Love will not want to have sex with that person. If they are pressuring you to have sex, they do not have love for you, but rather are using you. They do not care about you, and you let them know your beliefs. If they break up with you because of this, then you are better off anyway.