

Dating and Engagement Part (1)

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Definition of Dating:

Five Stages of Dating:

- 1. Friendship:
- 2. Early Dating:
- 3. Intermediate Dating:
- 4. Making the Decision:
- 5. Engagement:

Differences between Christian Dating and Worldly Dating

- 1. One Goal, One Partner and Towards Future Intimacy
- 2. Holiness and Spiritual Growth

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- 3. Commitment Comes Before Intimacy
- 4. Being accountable to our date and the church
- 5. More Inclusive than Exclusive

Summary:

- 1. Christian Dating is exclusively for Christians.
- 2. Dating has marriage as its end goal whereas endless casual dating is not appropriate.
- 3. Dating involves community. Individuals and couples are to seek godly counsel and accountability from the church family.
- 4. Dating should grow you in God's holiness.

Reflections:

- 1. How does a biblical understanding of Scripture influence who I date and how I date?
- 2. How can I grow in God's holiness in my dating relationship?

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