

1. Matthew 19:3-8. What are the Pharisees asking Jesus about? What do you think they are hoping for? What does Jesus teach them?

2. What are some of the characteristics you are looking for in your spouse? After you list them, rank them in order of importance, using 1 for the most important.

3. Elder Spencer W. Kimball, then a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles:

“The greatest single _____ affecting what you are going to be tomorrow, your activity, your attitudes, your eventual destiny . . . is the one _____ you make that moonlit night when you ask that individual to be your _____ for life. That’s the most important decision of your entire life!” (*The Teachings of Spencer W. Kimball*, 301).

4. What are some of the things that you believe may lead to divorce?

5. Elder Bruce R. McConkie:

“_____ or _____ marriage is the gate to _____. To fill the full measure of his creation and obtain _____ a man must enter into this order of _____ and keep all of the _____ and obligations that go with it. If a couple is so _____, the two persons become husband and wife in this life and continue in the _____ relationship in the world to come. (D. & C. 131:1–4; 132.) . . .

“Divorce is not part of the _____ plan no matter what kind of marriage is involved. But because men in practice do not always live in harmony with gospel standards, the Lord _____ divorce for one reason or another, depending upon the _____ stability of the people involved. . . . Under the most _____ conditions there would be no divorce permitted except where _____ sin was involved. In this day divorces are permitted in accordance with _____ statutes, and the divorced persons are permitted by the Church to marry again without the stain of _____ which under a higher system would attend such a course” (*Doctrinal New Testament Commentary*, 1:547).

6. Matthew 19:16-26. When asked what “good thing” a man could do to inherit eternal life, what did Jesus answer? When the man responded that he had done all that “from my youth up”, he asked, “What _____ I yet”. What was Jesus answer to that? What did Jesus say about a rich man entering into the kingdom of heaven?

7. Joseph Smith Translation: With men that _____ in riches, it is _____; but not impossible with men who _____ in God and leave _____ for my sake, for with such all these things are possible.

8. Matthew 20:1-16. This is called the parable of the _____ or of the _____. There were several groups of laborers that were hired, some _____ in the morning, some in the _____ hour, some in the _____, some in the _____, and finally, some in the _____ hour. What do these groups represent? What was the reward for these groups? Why