

“The Wedding Day Testimony”

W.A.I.T!



1. **Will of God:** *Holiness - Looking at things from God's perspective*
 - a. Start with the end in sight – Hebrews 13:4
 - b. I'm the man. God's coming for me first. - Genesis 3:9
 - c. God wants me to act like a man. That means something. - 1 Corinthians 16:13
 - d. God's holiness standard for me is equivalent to His own standard.
 - i. Genesis 1:26,27
 - ii. 1 Peter 1:14-16
 - e. God's will for me is to be blameless before Him.
 - i. Ephesians 1:3,4
 - ii. 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8
 - f. God & His Word are able to make me holy and keep me clean. Today.
 - i. Psalm 119:9-11
 - ii. Ephesians 5:25-27
 - iii. Psalm 143:10 David asks God to *teach him* to “do His will”
 - iv. Christ is making His bride blameless – John 15:3; Jude 1:24; Revelation 6:9-11
 - v. The Hand Illustration (next page)

Memorize Ezra 7:10 and then memorize the Hand Illustration and share it with your Timothy:

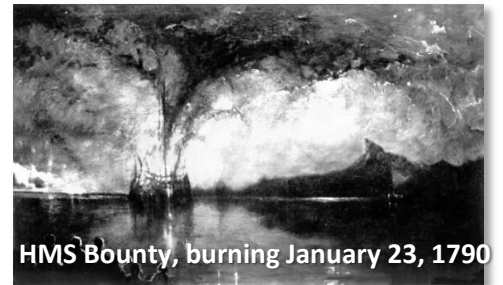


...continued



2. **Accountability:** *Living in the light, and not the shadows*

- a. God designed fellowship as a means of my growth but also as my safety net
 - i. Ecclesiastes 4:9,10
 - ii. Matthew 18:20
 - iii. Proverbs 24:5,6
 - iv. List some famous accountability buddies in Scripture
- b. Suggestions
 - i. Ask God to give you a Paul, a Barnabas & a Timothy – covenant with your Barnabas (1 Samuel 18:3) and hold each other's feet to the fire – Proverbs 27:17
 - ii. *Burn the Bounty!* Luke 9:62



HMS Bounty, burning January 23, 1790

3. **Integrity:** *A Clear Conscience & A Clear Plan of Action*

- a. A Clear Conscience:
 - i. Before God & Man – Acts 24:16; Psalm 24:3-5; 26:1-6
 - ii. In my house – Job 27:5,6; Psalm 15:4c; 101:1-4
- b. A Clear Plan of Action:
 - i. Learn from Joseph & Daniel: Genesis 39:6-12; Daniel 1:8
- c. Today's Integrity is tomorrow's Trust - it builds a bridge of trust between you and your future wife, your future in-laws, and your future kids

...continued

4. **Testimony:** *Do People See Jesus in My Life?*

- a. We're being watched...
 - i. Romans 12:2
 - 1. ...by God – Proverbs 5:21
 - 2. ...by Satan – Job 1:8, cf Revelation 12:10
 - 3. ...by the World – 1 Peter 2:12
- b. What I do affects how or even whether people see Christ
 - i. 1 Timothy 4:12
 - ii. Hebrews 12:14
 - iii. Matthew 5:16

Homework:

- 1. What do I do if (when) I blow it? Study David's crisis and how God took him through this:
 - a. David stepped out of accountability - 2 Sam 11:1
 - b. Which resulted in David sinning - 2 Sam 11:2-16
 - c. God saw everything - 2 Sam 11:27
 - d. God sends Nathan the prophet to confront David - 2 Sam 12:1-12
 - e. David confessed - 2 Sam 12:13 (cf 1 John 1:9); and wrote Psalms 51
 - f. Because it affected others view of God there were *very* severe consequences - 2 Sam 12:14-19
 - g. David returned to the Lord – 2 Sam 12:20-25
 - h. What activity was stopped in all this mess? - Psalm 51:13
 - i. How can we let God use our mistakes? - Luke 22:32
- 2. **Sex & Dating,** by Bob Lewis – please download & listen to his *very practical* message at:
 - a. <http://www.discipleshiplibrary.com/speakers.php> then select
 - i. Bob Lewis, then select
 - 1. *Sex and Dating*

Listen to this very
practical message!

Boys - marry a GODLY WOMAN someday (not a Christian girl) - marry someone like mom, who loves Christ with all her heart and is actively OBEYING Him...not just going to church. And don't EVER plan on divorce as an option...for ANY reason. It's ALWAYS wrong to seek divorce. When you marry, know that it's for life...for her entire life. So be very certain before you ever convey these feelings to a woman - make darn sure she's the one...or you are just defrauding someone, which is a sin. Defrauding means to lead someone to the wrong conclusion, either on purpose or through selfish carelessness. So, how do you make sure? I think there are seven requirements:

1. **YOUR WALK.** Are YOU walking with Christ and is He is the true Center of your life?

- Matt 6:33
- Prov 3:5,6

2. **TIMING.** Is the time right for YOU or should you wait?

- Deut 24:5

3. **EMPLOYMENT.** Do YOU have full time employment and are YOU earning enough to take care of yourself, a wife and a child?

- Prov 24:27

4. **HER WALK.** Does SHE have a heart which follows hard after Jesus Christ? Does SHE spend regular time in the Word? Is SHE known among others as a Woman of the Word? Will SHE double your ministry or will SHE cut it in half?

- 2 Cor 6:14
- Phil 2:2
- 1 Kings 11:4

5. **HER RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHERS WHOM YOU KNOW.** How does SHE treat your family and friends? How does SHE treat her own family?

- Ruth 1:16
- Eph 6:1-3

6. **PRAYER.** Have you really prayed about this?

- John 16:24
- Psa 106:13

7. **COUNSEL.** What do people who know and love YOU the most, who have God's highest interest in mind for YOU, think about her, and have YOU bothered to seek godly counsel?

- 1 Kings 12:6-8
- Prov 1:5
- Prov 11:14
- Prov 13:10
- Prov 19:20

These seven areas are where the biggest mistakes I have ever seen people make - they do not follow the Lord - they just follow their own hearts. And they end up with a LIFETIME and a LEGACY of grief. See Jeremiah 17:9. On the other hand, if you find a godly wife and marry her - you find a GOOD thing! See Psalm 128 & Proverbs 18:22.

You would do well to take some time in the near future to look these verses up and meditate on them in their context. I love you guys. The house is too quiet already...please walk with Christ.

Love, Dad 1/4/11