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DEDICATION

I am grateful to God for the wisdom and knowledge given to me.

I dedicate this book first to my beautiful wife, Mrs Samuella Patricia Agyeman. Who time and time again has demonstrated unconditional love and stands with me as I have been given by God the privilege of service.

I also dedicate this book to all members of Women Battling on their Knees (WOBOK) and the visionary Mrs Bernice Pandford. And to all attendees of Royalty Summit 2019 Belgium
I love this ministry dearly.

INTRODUCTION

Marriage is beautiful and has its own stages that confronts couples as they journey together in this institution by God.

Marriage being a holy institution it is important that we understand its sacredness and approach it soberly and also ensure that as we enter this institution we honour in the process of it.

Proper preparation at the stage of singleness adds value and also strengthens each individual to play the right role in marriage. Sometimes, people misunderstand the stage of singleness and end up being in a rush for marriage yet not at the point in their lives to handle it in a God pleasing fashion. Many single people cry for marriage but the issue is that marriage will work per the preparation of the two who are joining in holy matrimony.

This is a book I have specifically put together by inspiration to be thought provoking and at the same

time get both the married and the single to be sober and have a godly approach to the institution of marriage and manage the years of singleness with absolute joy.

This book has two sections where I have compiled a few statements of advice for you as a reader to take time out and ponder over them.

It is my earnest prayer that this book is a blessing to you.

Chapter One

SCRIPTURES

Genesis 2:22-24

21 And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. 22 Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. 23 And Adam said: "This is now bone of my bones And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man." 24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Proverbs 12:4

An excellent wife is the crown of her husband,
But she who causes shame is like rotteness in his

bones.

Proverbs 18:22

He who finds a wife finds a good thing, And obtains favor from the Lord.

Proverbs 19:14

Houses and riches are an inheritance from fathers,
But a prudent wife is from the Lord.

Proverbs 31:10

Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies.

Chapter Two

UNDERSTAND MARRIAGE

THE BEAUTY OF EVERY MARRIAGE IS LOVE.

There is no marriage without their peculiar hurdles and obstacles. However, they have been able to pull through because love governs their union. by love they learn to forgive,move on and smile.

See 1 Peter 4:8

Marriage is a beautiful institution by God and as believers it is important that we understand the sacredness of this holy estate so that as we embrace it we honour God through it.

In our world today, both men and women can be quick to desire marriage and yet fail to acknowledge what marriage is really about and thereby make costly errors.

Being a married woman, it is important that you understand that Proverbs 31, should not just be a quotation and a chapter of the Holy Bible you know but a reality of your everyday life. This scripture teaches several qualities that are important that as a married woman you embrace and act on them daily.

Marriage is about unflinching commitment and since you have made this commitment to be in union with your husband at all cost ensure that your life honours God in the institution of marriage and that you are also poised to love your husband to the end no matter what.

Marriage teaches us so much about our union with God. Or may I say that God's relationship with us models the institution of marriage of how we are to engage in this institution.

You will bear witness that in your relationship with God you are far from perfection yet God Who is rich in mercy and love and patience is constantly showing you love and keeping you even though time and time again you fall short.

God's relationship and His unconditional love in His

relationship with us serves as a model of how you are to relate with your husband. So in your marital life always remember God's dealing with and extend that same courtesy to your husband.

As God extends mercy and love towards you, now God wants you to also extend His attitude towards you to your spouse.

So just as you receive mercy, love, grace, from God, so shall you also extend the same to your spouse.

Chapter Three

**STATEMENTS OF COUNSEL
TO THE MARRIED**

One

A married woman must first and foremost understand the institution of marriage and who a wife is. Failure to do this, can result in unpleasantness, until the truth is known for a better positioning.

Two

A wife is not just a woman, but a woman with godly qualities to honour God in the institution of marriage. For this let it be clearly understood that not all women are wives but every wife is a woman, because women are born but a wife is developed and nurtured to this

status.

Three

A wife is a woman on assignment to please and honour God in the marriage. So a wife is guided by scripture above her emotions.

Four

A wife is a woman who has built capacity and has been developed to accept and play a godly role in the institution of marriage.

Five

A wife is not a woman without short comings but one at the feet of Christ growing daily in the role.

Six

In marriage the wife must not act as a girlfriend, because she is clearly not. The woman must be supportive of her husband in good and hard moments not just when things are going well.

Seven

As a wife you must have your identity in Christ clearly understood or else you might not be as effective as you are called to be.

Eight

Lack of self esteem has made a lot of godly women docile in their role as a wife.

Nine

No woman is born a wife but a wife is a woman who subjected herself to development in a godly fashion over a span of time.

Ten

A wife must make a stand to serve in her marriage first and foremost in honour to God and her responses to marital issues are guided by honour to God not per the actions of the husband.

Eleven

A wife is not an ally to the devil to aid and abet the intentions of the evil one.

Twelve

Regardless of the misconduct of your husband, remember he is not the enemy.

Thirteen

Becareful of your attitude when your husband is wrong and fails to acknowledge or has not yet even admitted because your reaction is what can give the devil victory in your marriage.

Fourteen

When your husband puts up an ungodly character, respond to his actions with love deeply rooted in Christ.

Fifteen

Marriage is not always rosy, but dear wife, do not give the devil a foothold in any way.

Sixteen

Your husband, will not at all times meet all your expectations, but even in such moments respond in love.

Seventeen

***When your husband has wronged even at that point
you must show forth more kindness and love.***

Eighteen

***The devil can use any person either yourself or your
spouse. But when it is him, do not fight him, because
he is not the enemy, the devil is, so fight the enemy
by the might of God.***

Nineteen

Cook his favourite meal, take him out for a meal, surprise him with a gift more in times of trouble and bitter moments, because even though it is hard, it is by love we win.

Twenty

Learn to win your marital issues through prayer to God not a pity party.

Twenty One

In marriage neglect not your first love of gesture and service.

Sometimes evaluate, and ask yourself, what good practice did I start in my marriage that I have stopped.

Twenty Two

***The beauty of every marriage is love.
every marriage has their own unique problems it will face. However, the couple overcome by love which is greater than all flaws.***

Twenty Three

Add value to your self to add value to your spouse.

Chapter Four

THE BEAUTY OF SINGLENESS

To be single at a stage of your life is not a sin nor a crime. Age is not a primary factor to push you into marriage. The institution of marriage by God was not designed per age for you to be in a hurry due to age. If the age factor clouds your judgement you might end up falling and marrying wrong.

Yes it is good to desire marriage but you need to also understand that being single is a blessing in its own and in this state God can also use you for many amazing things whiles you await marriage. You can be an instrument for God and a vessel of honour equally like the married.

I am not discouraging you from marriage but admonishing you to be patient and not rush. Some singles have been motivated wrongly and has ended

up with the nightmare of their lives.

God designed marriage to honour Him, which also has benefits to us. But it must be approached God's way and not ours. Our carnal ways cannot brew success in marriage but only God's way.

As a single person, it is a stage where you can add much value to yourself and develop as a wife. Being a wife is not a status you achieve because you have been married. But rather it is a stage you must be found in as a single person for marriage. The scripture admonishes and instructs that He who finds a wife, findeth a good thing.

So as you desire marriage, be sure that you are also in that status of a wife as a person.

Simply, a wife is a woman who has developed over time through training that puts her in a position to accommodate a man and live to uphold God's standard in the institution of marriage.

So the beauty of singleness also includes a time to be

better equipped for marriage when you do get married. Your preparation over time will enable you see the beauty of marriage than to be in haste in making a decision to rush out of singleness because you desire marriage strongly.

You are single, and it is beautiful, because you are still useful to God and being single does not mean you are not worthy or unattractive.

Pray regarding marriage, Desire it but never be in a rush.

Chapter Five

STATEMENT OF COUNSEL TO THE SINGLE

One

Singleness is not a curse, it is a stage in life and we are all in different stages.

Two

Don't be in a rush for a relationship, patience yields better results.

Three

***Haste for a relationship is close friends with
“ I regret”.***

Four

***Do not compromise godly values because of a
relationship or because you desire strongly to get
married. marriage is to please God, so to dishonour
Him from the beginning is not the right foundation.***

Five

If you are not sure about a proposal, just do not answer, be patient, because with time God's will becomes vivid.

Six

A dream wedding is not a dream marriage.

Seven

Invest in yourself as a single lady in the area of character and other meaningful areas in life.

Eight

Don't trade in sex or sexual immorality as a way to draw a man.

If the man cannot stay without sexual sin till the day of marriage, let him go, because it is about God not primarily yourself. Therefore if he cannot join you to stand together to honour God then it is not worth it.

Nine

No matter how appealing an unbeliever might be for a relationship. It is a no, no.

Better deal with your emotions than be misled. We must at all times be led by the Holy Spirit.

Ten

Purity before marriage is key.

However, if you have already committed sin in your relationship, repent and maintain purity from now.

Eleven

Singleness is not a disease, do not be vulnerable.

Twelve

The fairy tale of the wedding day and its reception is not the daily course of marriage. Marriage is a reality of two different people being made one. It is not easy but a blessing.

Thirteen

Singleness presents equally godly opportunities just as marriage, although in a different way, so do not think you are incomplete.

Fourteen

Know yourself in God and you can know the right person.

By knowing God it puts you in a position to know a man who is genuinely born again and has developed as a husband.

Fifteen

Never decide on a relationship when you are not in the right frame of mind.

Sixteen

You can rush to the altar or registerar to exchange the vows with an ungodly man but remember it is only going to be your nightmare.

Marriage is not a rush, take your time and make the right decision.

Seventeen

No two marriages are the same, so pray God's will for you and do not envy anyone's union.

Eighteen

A single lady must look for a husband to marry not just a man.

Not all men are husbands but a husband is a man. You need a man who has the qualities to honour the institution of marriage and behaviour to honour God.

Nineteen

Being located by a husband is what is important not being spotted by a man.

Men are a lot and any man spotting you can make a carnal move. But is it a husband that can cherish you. A husband is a man brought up in the way of God to understand the institution of marriage and how to conduct himself.

Twenty

You cannot travel down the road of marriage with the wrong man. It is a long journey to make with the wrong person. So take your time.

Twenty One

You are not a saviour, so do not become one for the sake of marriage.

Sometimes because of our choice of man being in conflict with God's word. A lady in love with an ungodly man begins to force feed him with Christian values and the scriptures. But this shouldn't be the case.

Twenty Two

When a man approaches you and you are not sure of their being. Give yourself time and cultivate friendship and keep it in that zone. With time their identity will be clear, if you can be patient.

CONCLUSION

It is my earnest prayer that these statements of counsel has given you a food for thought and help to piont

you in the right direction. I hope for others, these statements have reaffirmed your Christian values regarding marriage and the stage of singleness.

Marriage is beautiful and you need to be better prepared to make the right decision and have the right approach.

Everyone's marriage is unique so do not be envious of others. Rather learn to ensure you are building your relationship and marriage in a manner that will please God.

God desires the best for us, therefore regarding marriage He has our best interest at heart. So we need to approach it according to His Word.

Being single should not make you discontent to the extent that you want to break scriptural advice just so that you can

also be married. Use the days of singleness to build yourself in the Lord and understand marriage and what it means to be a wife. So that in due season, when you get married you be the best at your role in honour to God.

In conclusion, may I admonish you that whether married or single. Make it a point to honour God with your life at all times pleasing Him and Him alone.

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About Book

This is an easy read book which contains simple statements by the author to provoke single women in their approach and concept of relationship and marriage. It also has statements of counsel for married women to admonish them in marriage to enhance and encourage them in this holy estate.

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