

# MARRIAGE

*(especially after loss)*

# 1 Corinthians 7:39

- **“if her husband dies, she is at liberty to be married to whom she wishes, only in the Lord.”**

# *Stepfamily Living*

Elizabeth Einstein, M & F Therapist

- **“Einstein says the most critical key for remarriage preparation is to resolve or mourn the loss of former relationships.”**

(Preparing for Remarriage: [TwoOfUs.org](http://TwoOfUs.org))

# Try life's photo

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**“You have to be okay on your own before you can have a healthy relationship with another person.”**

# 1 Timothy 5:14

- **“Therefore I desire that the younger widows marry, bear children, manage the house, give no opportunity to the adversary to speak reproachfully.**

# Philippians 4:11-13

- **“...I have learned in whatever state I am to be content...”**

# MARRIAGE/REMARRIAGE



- **What should be considered?**

# MYTHS ABOUT MARRIAGE





# *Fit to Be Tied*

Bill & Lynne Hybels

- **Marriage will end my aloneness.**
- **Marriage will heal my brokenness.**
- **Marriage will ensure my happiness.**
- **Marriage is God's plan for everyone.**

# Spiritual Compatibility

*(most important!)*

**Time**

**(the acid test)**

# Families

**(blending)**

# Expectations

(impacted by the past)

# Health & Sex

(influenced by age)

# Finances

**(goals, accounts, budgets,  
prenup, debt, insurances,  
wills / estate / inheritance)**

# Residence(s)

**(Which one? Both?  
Where? Sell? Buy?)**



# Risk Factors

**(reduce)**

*Getting to the Other Side of Grief*  
(Overcoming the Loss of a Spouse)

**“Remarriage...at midlife or later is somewhat like the merger of two major corporations. Be wise in what you are doing.”**

**(p. 204)**