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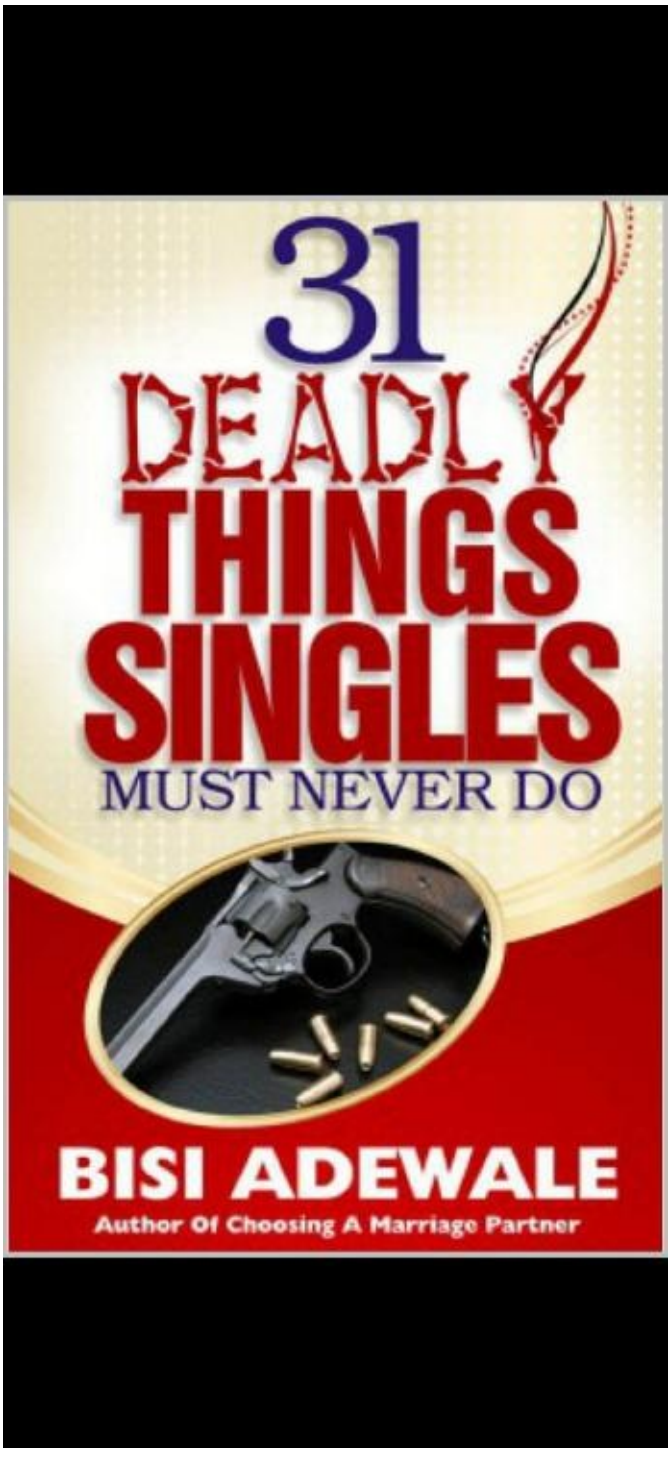
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FIRST WORD

Beloved,
There was this story I was told when I was in Secondary School. I want you to learn from it:

Long time ago in a village, there was this river where women were forbidden to bath or swim. Every woman knew this and dared not go there for any reason.

But in this village lived Ruka, a stubborn young lady, who did not see any reason why she cannot go to a river because of one 'stupid taboo'. She made up her mind to go to the river and see what is being hidden from women. By this she wanted to become the first woman to visit the river.

One sunny afternoon, she found her way to the river. On getting there; she looked around but did not see anything unusual. So, she decided to take her bath. She undressed, hung her clothes on a small nearby tree, jumped into the river, took her bath and came back to put on her dress. On getting to the tree she discovered the small tree that was about two feet high was now about 20 feet high. The more she tried to use something to get her clothes, the more the tree grew taller. That means she had to walk to the village naked, which is a taboo. Anybody that does so or use leaves to cover herself will go mad. After several unsuccessful attempts, she walked back naked to the village and ran mad.

Like Ruka, many singles have fallen into errors today either due to ignorance or stubbornness. This book is to open your eyes to some 'spirit rivers' which you must not visit to avoid the bitterness of your actions. Read this book prayerfully, you will have a very good story to tell. This book will give you

some instructions. Please don't fail to yield to these divine warnings. The Lord be with you!

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1ST THING

NEVER LIVE WITHOUT CHRIST

TRUE TALK: If you can afford to avoid Christ you cannot avoid crisis. Greatness without Christ is a disgrace in disguise
GOD'S WORD: ***"Blessed is the nation, whose God is the Lord, the people He has chosen as His own inheritance".*** **Psalm 33:12.**
The worst thing any single can do is to live without acknowledging Christ as his/her saviour. Living without accepting Jesus Christ as your Lord and personal saviour is as dangerous as sleeping in the same room with a wounded cobra.
Don't do it. Don't fail to give your totality to God. Don't fail to surrender your all to Him.

Don't fail to give your heart to Him. Don't fail to give your heart to Him. You have nothing to lose by accepting Jesus. Come to Him. Don't make the mistake of pitching your tent against God. You may not live to repent from it. If you have not given your life to Christ, this is the right time to do it. Say this prayer sincerely:

"Lord Jesus, I want you in my life I am a sinner, have mercy on me and forgive my iniquities, cleanse me with your precious blood. I accept you as my Lord and savior. Thank you Jesus for saving me".

You are now born again. Attend a Bible believing church closest to you.

NEVER LIVE WITHOUT CHRIST

2ND THING

NEVER HAVE A ZERO THINKING

True Talk: If you are not thinking, you are sinking.

God's Word: ***"I will stand my watch and set myself on the rampant and watch to see what He will say to me and what I will answer when I am corrected."*** **(Habakkuk 2:1)**

You have zero thinking if you are the type that doesn't normally engage in mental, constructive thinking. Many engaged in their minds in worrying, fretting, fearing, lusting, etc; thereby poisoning the source of their strength. They do not make the mind of

sweat to give them the 'sweet' they desires. (Pro. 4:23).

If you are not thinking you are sinking. Give your mind no rest. Stir it up. Shake it. Let it harbour for your favour. Make your world what it should be by putting your heart to work.

Nobody can think for you. Think! Give yourself a lift. Employ your brain.

NEVER HAVE A ZERO THINKING

3RD THING

NEVER HAVE A TELEVISION

WITHOUT VISION

True Talk: If you do not have a goal, you will live like a goat.

God's Word: ***"Where there is no vision the people perish but happy is he who keeps the law".*** **(Prov. 29:18).**

Most singles can spend 16 hours daily on television and home videos. No time to think. No time to pray. No time to create a vision for themselves. That is the reason why I said most singles have television without vision.

Ask most single: "What is your vision?" You will be surprised that more than 80% of them have none. It is fearful to know

that we are surrounded by a bunch of visionless, purposeless and, aimless set of people. A generation that is coming from nowhere, **furrowing without any destination in mind.**

Get up. Get a vision. Your vision is your life. Your success is totally based on your vision. A man of vision has laid a solid foundation for distinction. Without a vision, you are not safe, friend. Your future is doomed until you have it. Wake up. Do something. Get a vision, world it out and walk into a brighter future. (Please get a copy of my book- **22 Pillars of Success,** for more on this).

NEVER HAVE A TELEVISION WITHOUT A VISION

4TH THING

NEVER HAVE A LOCK-IN-THINKING

True Talk: If you lock your heart to new ideas, you have made yourself a new failure on earth. God's word: *"But Jesus looked at them and said to them 'with this is impossible, but with God all things are possible. For with God nothing will be impossible".* (Math. 19:26)

If you must make it to the top, then avoid lock-in-thinking as much as possible. Lock-in-thinking is believing that things cannot be better or cannot be done in a better way. "Since nobody is rich in my family nobody

can be rich"."Since nobody has never done it, it can't be done", many would say.

Lock-in-thinking is the invention of the word "Impossible". A lock-in-thinker is a good student of history. He tells you more than hundred people that failed to make it and bases his judgment on that. His slogan is, "If nobody has not, nobody can".

Lock-in-thinking is the main reason why Africa remains in abject poverty. It is the arch enemy of invention. It explains why black men have remained imitators and not inventors. It explains our limitations because imitation is limitation.

Get fresh idea. Open your mind to new possibilities. It is possible if you say "I can" (Luke1:45)

NEVER HAVE A LOCK-IN-THINKING

5TH THING

NEVER HAVE A STINKING THINKING

True Talk: If you are lustful, you are "lost full"

God's Word: "*The righteousness of the upright will deliver them, but the unfaithful will be caught in their lust.* (Proverbs 11:6)

What I call stinking thinking is what is known as LUST. That is giving yourself to mediating on past or perceived sexual immoralities. Some youth x-ray opposite sex in the laboratory of their hearts and "sleep" with them. It is dirty. It is demonic. But mil-

lions of youth are just doing it. It makes one unacceptable to God. It brings you into loggerhead with Him. It destroys the purpose of God for one's life and opens you up for the attack of the devil. It corrodes your bones, destroys your strength and makes you an enemy of the blessed Holy Spirit.

Lust makes one busy doing nothing. It makes one to be a foot mat of the devil. Do not waste your beautiful life, stop that stinking thinking. Are you under its yoke? Do you really desire to be free from it? If yes, get a copy of my book SINGLES, SEW AND PURITY.

NEVER HAVE A STINKING THINKING

6TH THING

NEVER HAVE AN UNHOLY ALLIANCE

True Talk: If you marry an unbeliever, Satan will automatically become your father-in-law.

God's Word: ***"Therefore take heed to yourself, that you love the Lord your God. Or else, if indeed you do go back and cling to the remains among you, and make marriage with them, and go into them and they to you. Know certainly that the Lord will no longer drive out these nations from before you. But they shall be snares and traps to you and scourges on***

your sides and thorns in your eyes until you perish from this good land which the Lord your God has given you" (Joshua 23:11-13)

Do not make the devil your father-in-law. Never marry an unbeliever. It is more dangerous than your ever imagine. Do not embarrass God by marrying people that do not believe Him as He is. Any relationship with unbeliever is an unholy alliance. Do not go into it. An unbeliever will be a snare and trap to you. They will be scourges on your sides and thorns in your eyes.

Never marry an unbeliever with the intention of converting him/her to God. It is only the Holy Spirit that converts. In fact, you are likely to lose your salvation if you marry any one of them.

(Deut. 7:2-5)

Do not make the mistake of marrying a Muslim, Ifa/Gurumaharaji worshipper, etc. it is against the will of God.

7TH THING

NEVER ENGAGE IN A DRY RELATIONSHIP

True Talk: Those that are in love are those that are in the Lord.

God's Word: ***" He brought me to the banqueting house and his banner over me is love, sustain me with cakes of raisings, refresh me with apples, for I am love sick "*** **. (SOS. 2:4-5)**

A dry relationship between two people that are not in love but, for one reason or the other, they still plan to get married.

Love is the foundation of a successful home. When you discover you and your partner are not in love, do not pretend. Do not say, " We have gone too far," we must get married whether there is genuine or counterfeit love. If you do, you will live to regret it. You will forever blame yourself for it. Stop that dry relationship. Never allow it to lead to marriage. It is dangerous for your colourful destiny. It will surely dry your beautiful life.

NEVER ENGAGE IN A DRY RELATIONSHIP

8TH THING

NEVER HAVE A FAST LANE MARRIAGE

True Talk: Those who rush into marriage are bound to be crushed.
God 's Word: " To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven" (Eccl. 3:1 " For every matter there is a time or judgmen t". (Eccl. 8:6)
Fast lane marriage is the one you enter hurriedly without adequate preparation. If you rush into marriage, you can not rush out but may be crushed.
Do not rush into marriage because all your mates are already married. You may live to regret it.

You need to get to know your intending spouse very well before you say. " Yes I do". Be very sure that he is of good character. Be sure that he inspires your submission before you go for him. Check and be sure that he honours, loves and respects you before giving your hand to him.
Fast lane marriage may lead to fast heartbreak and fast death. Wait patiently. Look before you leap.

Never go into an unknown river head first, as you may end up becoming an eye opener to other potential swimmers.

NEVER GET MARRIED IN A HURRY

9TH THING

NEVER MARRY FOR THE WRONG REASON

True Talk: Beauty may turn to pity, fame may turn to shame. President of the fellowship may not be a resident of heaven. Greatness may turn to disgrace and lead to the grave. Never marry for wrong reasons.
God's Word: ***" Through wisdom a house is built and by understanding it is established, by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches. "*** **(Proverbs 24:3-4)**
Why are you going into that marriage? Is it to escape from your difficult parents? To prove to the whole world that you have somebody that cares for you? To show your

enemies who say nobody will marry you? To get somebody that will be footing your bills? To get unhindered access to sex? To have your own babies? To tackle loneliness? To have a man to call your own? To enhance your status and political fortune? To be able to travel abroad? To compensate a good friend? Or is it to fill the vacuum created by a lover that jilted you? If any of these is the reason why you are getting married, then you are marrying for the wrong reasons. Marriage is not just for financial gain or baby making, but for companionship, love, agreement, togetherness, sacrifice, pleasure, service, submission, covenant and procreation. Marriage is permanent. Once you are in it you must remain in it till death does you apart. Therefore, you must be very careful when going into it. Go into it for the right reasons.

NEVER MARRY FOR THE WRONG REASON

10TH THING

NEVER MARRY OUTSIDE

THE WILL OF GOD

True Talk: The will of God will not take you to a place where the grace of God will not be sufficient for you.

God ' s Word: " *If the foundation be destroyed what can the righteous do* ". (Psalm 11:3)

God 's direction is number one of the three major requirements for instituting a godly home. You must listen to God. You must reason with Him. Let him direct you. Let Him

lead you. Secure the voice of God before you say "Yes I do". **As many as are being led by the spirit of God are the sons of God" (Rom. 8:14)**

If God is not leading you, you are walking dangerously. When He leads you then you will get His favour. " He that findeth a wife, findeth a good thing and obtains a favour of the Lord" (Proverb 18:22).

Those that wait upon the Lord cannot become a waste. If you follow divine instruction, it will lead to distinction. God knows you. He knows what the best is for you and He is ready to give it to you if you can just listen to Him and obey His voice.

The will of God cannot take you to a place where the grace of God will not be sufficient for you.

NEVER MARRY OUTSIDE THE WILL OF GOD

11TH THING

NEVER MARRY SOMEBODY

YOU DO NOT LOVE

True Talk: If you marry somebody you cannot celebrate, you will spend the rest of your life tolerating.

God's Word : *" If you are wise, you are wise for yourself and if you scorn you will bear it alone."* (Proverb 9:12)

The second most important consideration after the voice of God is love. Marry only the person you love. Love is the bedrock of a home that will not hit the rock.

Do not do what you may live to regret for the rest of your life. Never marry anybody you do not love for any reason. **A loveless marriage is worse than a life-long of singlehood.**

Remember you will live the rest of your life with this person. You will see him/her day and night. You will likely have a baby that will look exactly like him/her. A carbon copy of somebody you do not love will have to sit on your lap for years or even suck your breast. Do not pretend. Never allow a loveless relationship to lead to marriage.

You may ask, "What of if I feel God is leading me but I do not love him/her?" I will like you to check your so-called God ' s direction. You may be wrong. And if you are right, then open your mind. Destroy the image of your dream husband/wife that does not allow you to be in love with God ' s choice for you. Destroy that idol and you will see the flood of love filling your heart.

At times, the present status of the person may be the reason why you do not love him/her. Let me tell you this: His present position is not his future. He is in transition going to a glorious destination. Be very sure you are in love before you say " Yes I do "

NEVER MARRY SOMEBODY YOU DO NOT LOVE

12TH THING

NEVER MARRY SOMEBODY THAT DOES NOT LOVE YOU

True Talk: If you marry anybody that do not love you for any reason, it is like drinking poison because of sweet words.

God's Word: *" Iron sharpens iron so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend".* **(Proverbs 27:4)**

Before you go into any marriage, check carefully whether the person you want to marry is truly in love with you. A man that does not love you at the peak of your beauty will not hesitate to beat you up when the beauty deteriorates after child bearing, when your figure 8 becomes figure 96 in pregnancy, when your "slim-to-march" turns to "mama-me", " fleshy kit " some years to come.

Never make the mistake of marrying someone that does not love you. " How can I know a man or a lady that loves me? " you may ask. You can know whether somebody loves you or not the way he handles you, your beliefs, opinions, joy or sadness, vision and aspirations.

Someone that is not proud to introduce you to friends and family members is not in love with you. Somebody that is not faithful to you is not in love with you. Somebody that do not trust you is far from loving you. A person that does not respect your opinion for anything cannot be said to be your lover.

Open your eyes widely. Go for real love! Go for true love. Never marry anybody base on lust or infatuation, as you are likely to regret it.

For more information on how to know whether somebody truly loves you, I advise you get copies of my books, 32 WAYS TO KNOW TRUE LOVE AND PURE GOLD.

NEVER MARRY SOMEBODY THAT DOES NOT LOVE YOU

13TH THING

NEVER MARRY SOMEBODY THAT IS NOT OF A GOOD CHARACTERS

True Talk: A man without character is like a sleeping wild dog. It will soon wake up to bark and to bite. Avoid him.

God's Word: ***"The righteousness should choose his friends carefully for the way of the wicked leads them astray."*** **Proverbs 12:26.**

Open your eyes widely. Check the character of the person you intend to marry. If the person is not of good character it will be in your own interest to avoid the person. A person that is lazy, stingy, bossy, lustful, stubborn, extravagant; anybody with uncontrolled anger that keeps malice is always moody; tell lies; smokes; drinks; womanizes, keeps bad company; takes drugs; night crawls; etc, is not of good character.

Never expect a stingy bachelor to become a generous husband or a stubborn spinster to become an obedient, meek and submissive wife.

Marriage don't naturally change people. We need to be wise.

Don't hall a guy that single handedly beau up a bus conductor in your defense. It will be your turn to "enjoy" his boxing feat when you get married. A man that disobeys his pastor and parents is not likely to listen to you. A man abuses his parents in your presence will later beat you before everyone.

A man that wants you to prove your love for him by having sex is a sex hunter, not a lover.

A man that discourages you from meeting the marriage committee of your church is not the real man.

A lazy man or lady will be the route for a poverty ridden life. He/she will be an open door for a life of want and penury. Open your eyes.

When God opens your eyes to all these, be wise to obey him. When you marry an angry

man or woman, it may send you to an early grave. Please be wise!

NEVER MARRY SOMEBODY THAT IS NOT OF A GOOD CHARACTER

14TH THING

NEVER MARRY A STRANGER

True Talk: When you marry a total stranger, he will give you a total danger. If you marry unknown person, he will give you a known trouble.

God 's word : ***" Take a garment of one who is surety for a stranger and hold it as a pledge when it is for a seductress "*** **(Proverbs 20:16)**

A stranger is a danger. Never marry somebody you don' t know. Take your time to know the person you want to marry. Pray, ask questions. Let your pastor or marriage counselor investigates him/her. It is for your own good.

A deacon in the church may be a dragon at home. A president of the fellowship may not be a resident of heaven. That dedicated worker in the church may be a dedicated worker of iniquity. That quiet singer may be a quite serpent. Watch out! Pray. Be patient. Open your eyes, lest you marry a saintly prostitute or a tongue- speaking, home boxing champion.

Visit him/her at home. Be observant. Check the way people relate with him. Ask question. Do not hide your feelings.

Do not go for the so-called love at first sight. It is all a ruse. There is nothing like that. Lust can come at first sight, not true love. You can't love somebody you don't know. Do not plunger yourself into external pool of trouble. Relax. Be sincere with yourself. Listen to God, your counselor or even people around you. Make sure you have at least nine months of courtship and pray seriously for the Lord to expose your partner to you.

NEVER MARRY A STRANGER

15TH THING

NEVER MARRY WITHOUT PRAYING

True Talk: Pray while we pray and work while we work. To be joyful and comfortable, this is way.

God's Word : *"Ask, and it will be given to you, seek and you will find knock and it will be opened to you"* (Mathew 7:7)

Never make a choice on how to live your life without consulting God. Pray. Please pray seriously before you choose a life partner. Pray when you are in courtship. Pray as you prepare for wedding.

It takes people that pray to bring divine rain. It takes people that labour on their knees to get divine favour. It takes people that seek and find the face of God to get to another beautiful phase of life.

Commit your ways into the hands of the Lord. Entrust your destiny into His hands. He is able to give you the desire of your heart. **Ps. 37:5.**

NEVER MARRY WITHOUT PRAYING

16TH THING

NEVER FAIL TO HAVE A PURE COURTSHIP

True Talk: When the foundation of a house is not well laid, its destruction is well prepared.

God's Word: ***The preparation of the heart belongs to man but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord.*** **(Proverbs 16:1)**

Courtship is the period between the time a lady agrees to marry a man and the time they eventually get married. It is a very im-

portant period, which no single should overlook. Courtship period is the time of agreement, discussion, discovery, purity, assessment, learning, goal harmonization, premarital counseling, and openness. Waiting, praying, planning and preparation for both wedding and marriage. Most singles don't see anything serious in courtship. Some do not know what it entails or see any reason for it.

They do not know that courtship is the foundation of a good home. Do not rush into marriage. Have at least nine months of courtship. Lay a solid foundation for your home. Get to know the person you want to marry before following him/her to the altar. It is not a period for intercourse, kissing, hugging or co-habitation. It should be a period for purity, holiness, righteousness and the fear of the Lord. It is a period to tell God whether He is welcome or not in your future home.

NEVER FAIL TO HAVE A PURE COURTSHIP

17TH THING

NEVER SEND YOUR HONEY

OUT OF THE MOON

True Talk: When sex comes before marriage, it damages matrimony.

God's Word: " *Marriage is honorable among all and bed undefiled, but fornicator and adulterers God will judge* ". (Heb.13:4)

Newly married couples often separate two weeks or more to be together for rest, discussions, prayer, reflection and sexual intercourse.

It is an enjoyable period for newly married couples, especially if they have not defiled themselves before wedding. One of the greatest mistakes intending couples can make is to allow honey to go out of the moon. That is, destroying their honey moon by indulging in pre-marital sex.

When you allow your courtship to be pure, you are doing yourself a lot of good.

Be determined to have a pure courtship. Never make the mistake of becoming pregnant before wedding. Allow your wedding to be honorable with the bed undefiled.

NEVER SEND YOUR HONEY OUT OF THE MOON

18TH THING

NEVER FAIL TO ATTEND

INTENDING COUPLES CLASS

(Pre-marital Counselling)

True Talk: What you know is what will make you known

God's word: ***" Through wisdom a house is built, by understanding it is established, by knowledge the room is filled with all precious and Pleasant riches. A wise man is strong, yea, a man of knowledge increases strength " .*** **(Prov. 24:3-5)**

Knowledge is power. Knowledge is strength. Get to know every necessary thing about marriage before you go into it.

There a lot of things to know about marriage and failure to know them mat spell doom for the home. Most rocky marriages today are not the making of Satan or demons; they are so because of lack of knowledge on the part of the parties involved.

Here are some of the lectures you are expected to take during pre-marital counseling session, which normally takes about three months: Understanding Courtship, Understanding Marriage, Communication in Marriage, Adjustment in Marriage,, Crisis Management in marriage, Financial Management in marriage, Child bearing and rearing, Understanding Gender Differences, Marriage and Culture, Sex, In-laws and Marriage, Understanding Submission, Roles of Huns band, Roles of Wife, Intimacy in Marriage, among others.

If you expose yourself to all these teachings, it becomes easier to enjoy your marriage. But if you lack knowledge, you will do a great harm to your marriage. So you and your partner should make yourself available for

the teachings. It is for your own good. (Note: If your church has no programme for intending couples, get in touch with us.)

19TH THING

NEVER GO INTO MARRIAGE

WITHOUT PREPARATION

True Talk: Your preparation determines your manifestation.

God's Word: ***" Prepare your work outside, make it fit for yourself in the field and afterward build your house ".*** **(Proverbs 24:27)**

" The preparation of the heart belongs to man, but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord " **(Prov.16:1)**

Preparation is the other of celebration. Lack of it may lead to destruction. Prepare very well before you go into marriage. Prepare in the following ways:

❖ **Physically:** Get an apartment for yourself as a man. Get necessary cooking utensils. Learn how to cook good meals as a lady. But household items and take good care of your health.

❖ **Financially**: Get a job. Save money. Invest. Pay your tithe. Be generous, learn to manage and master money. Learn to be selfless in spending.

❖ **Mentally**: Deal with erroneous beliefs about marriage through divine wisdom. Go for pre-marital counseling (This is very important. Please don't miss it). Read books and family magazines. Attend marriage seminars. Listen to tapes on marriage.

❖ **Spiritually**: Attend intending couple's class. Pray and fast. Study scriptures to know what God says about marriage. Listen

to tapes. Go for counsel. Deliverance sessions and praise God.

❖ **Emotionally**: know how to forgive and forget. Learn to be generous, to say ' we ' and ' our ' instead of ' me ' and ' I '.

20TH THING

NEVER ALLOW WEDDING BILL TO DESTROY YOUR WEDDING BELL

True Talk: Those who eat up their tomorrow today will live in their yesterday when we get to days to come.

God's Word: ***" The riches rule over the poor and the borrower is servant to the leader ".*** **(Prov. 22:7)**

Most singles dream of making their weddings big. They look forward up spending hundreds of naira to make their wedding day memorable. Some go into borrowing to achieve this goal while it takes them several months or even years to pay up their debt. In some cases, the debt burden end up breaking a supposedly good marriage.

Never borrow or buy anything on credit because of wedding. Never allow **wedding bills** to destroy **wedding bell**. It is not how elaborate a wedding is that makes a marriage a success. It is not the number of people in the **bridal train** that determines a joyful home but the **bridal training.**

Cut your cloth according to your materials. You don ' t need all the wines in this world. You need not import your wedding gown

and ring. You need not feed the people that are not hungry. If it is glamour of a wedding that determines the success of a marriage, the marriage of Prince Charles and Lady Diana should be the best. But it was not.

Even if you have millions of naira in your account, it is wise to invest it than spending it on frivolous things. If you slaughter hundred cows for your wedding, people will eat them. Even if it is ordinary fish you offer they will still eat and go to their houses.

Be kind to yourself. Spend little for wedding. Keep the rest for your marriage. Be wise. Be moderate. Don't be wasteful. Avoid spending unnecessary money, just to make your wedding a memorable one. Some singles refuse to get in their late thirties because they have not been able to save million of naira needed for their dream weddings. That is totally wrong.

NEVER ALLOW WEDIDNG BILL TOI DESTROY YOUR WEDIDNG BELL

21ST THING

NEVER DRESS LIKE AN HARLOT

True Talk: The way you dress determines those that will address you. If you dress like an harlot, play boys will seek your hands in marriage.

God's Word: ***Whoever loves wisdom makes his father rejoice, but a companion of harlots wastes his wealth. (Prov.29:3)***

Clothes are made primarily to cover nakedness, only mad people walk nakedly.

Nowadays, you see young ladies going crazy on the street, walking almost naked. Some expose 80 percent of their breasts, 85 percent of their buttocks and 90 percents of their thighs. The more we closer to rapture, the more the force of gravity works on skirt; pulling it up to mini area and micro. It is total madness to put on a skirt and blouse that do not cover your sensitive parts.

Whenever you want to ' dress to kill ', know that you are being influenced by demonic powers, not Gods spirit. Stop being a disgrace to womanhood. Dress like a lady. Stop dressing like an harlot. All those spaghetti, mini or micro skirts. Off-shoulder dresses, show-me-your-back-cloths, string blouses (No bra allowed), body hugs; see- through, crazy jeans, summer styles, etc are not godly. They are from the pit of hell for demon-possessed people. Children of God dress to glorify God and to edify people. If you dress to

expose your nakedness, you are crazy and sick.

NEVER DRESS LIKE AN HARLOT

22ND THING

NEVER ENGAGE IN ROOM SERVICE

True Talk: Your secret sin is not unseen before God. Though closed to man, it is open to God before you do it.

God's Word: " ***He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy*** " . **(Proverbs 28:13)**

Masturbation is what is now popularly known as room service. It is the act of using ones hands or an instrument specially made for that purpose (masturbation) or any other object to stimulate ones organ for sexual enjoyment.

It involves sexual fantasy and self-stimulation of sexual organs, motivated by sex films pornography materials or setting of one's mind on past, sinful sexual relationship.

It is sexual immorality and dehumanizing. It destroys ones prayer life and separates one from God and ministering angels. It is a sin just as fornication and adultery.

It is called ' Room Service ' because if often takes place in the room, bathroom or toilet. People who indulge in it are under demonic oppression and satanic bondage. If you are a victim of masturbation, you must be ready

to get your deliverance today. Know that it is sinful and dangerous to your well-being. Confide in a mature Christian or write me immediately. Pray seriously against it. Run away from 'blue films', pornographic materials, ungodly, magazines, books etc. go for deliverance and move closer to your Bible. Room service is a death sentence. Please avoid it.

Kindly get my book, **SINGLES, SEX AND PURITY,** for a comprehensive teaching on masturbation and other sexual sins and how to be delivered from them.

NEVER ENGAGE IN ROOM SERVICE
23RD THING

NEVER INVOLVE IN PRE-MARITAL SEX

True Talk: Sin is a pleasurable journey in to the land of disgrace. When you are tempted to sin think of hell.

God's Word: ***"Whoever commits fornication (adultery) with a woman lacks understanding. He who does so destroys his own soul. Wound and obstruction will he get and his reproach will not be wiped away".*** **(Proverbs 6:32)**

Avoid pre-marital sex like a plague. You have nothing to gain from it, it will only destroy your joy, marriage, testimonies, future and you might contact sexually transmitted disease, including **HIV/AIDS.** Pre-marital sex will separate you from God His love, mercy, grace and protection.

Sexual enjoyment lasts less than 10 seconds but the consequences are eternal. Be wise. Avoid pre-marital sex. It is a sin against God, your body and your future partner. It endangers your life and future.

You have a lot to benefit from waiting till your wedding night for sex. They are: God's blessing, respect, avoidance of Gods judgment. Trust from your partner, absence of guilt, freedom and lack of regret. It keeps you from unwanted pregnancy, hurried marriage and abortion. It enhances your integrity and aids genuine relationship, leading to a good marriage.

There is no justifiable reason for pre-marital sex. Do not set your life on fore. Flee from it.

NEVER INVOLVE IN PRE-MARITAL SEX

24TH THING
NEVER STOP THE BREATHING HEART

True Talk: You were created to be a mother; never become a murderer. You were made to be a father; never pluck the feather of a living bird.

God's Word: ***Thou shalt not murder*** **(Exodus 20:13**

A fertilized foetus is not just blood; it is living, total child. It may be the next president, governor, pastor, author, etc. So, do not stop the breathing heart. Never commit abortion. Thou shall not kill.

Everybody deserves a birthday. Do not deny that baby the right to live give that life its own expression. Let him enjoy its purpose

for living. Let it enjoy God. Do not kill that baby.

If you listen well, you would hear the baby shouting, "Mother, do not murder me". Abortion is ungodly. It kills generations and destroys nations. Do not join the company of Cain. Do not kill that Abel.

God can never be happy seeing you destroy the work of His hands. Please do not kill that baby.

NEVER STOP THE BREATHING HEART

25TH THING

NEVER FORSAKE QUITE TIME

True Talk: If you are quiet enough to listen to God, your voice will be loud enough for people to hear and obey.

God's Word: ***"Rise before the dawning of the day and cry for help. Hope in your word, my eyes awake through the night watches that I may meditate on your word"*** **(Ps. 19:148)**

Most people step out in the morning without seeking the face of God. They jump out of bed into the road without consulting the king of the roads. This is dangerous and signifies unseriousness with ones Christian life.

Before you leave the house everyday; pray to God. Thank Him for waking you up to see the new day. Thank Him for your breath, health and wealth. Thank Him for what He is going to do for you that day.
Commit the day into His hands. Tell Him to go before you and level your mountain. Exalt your valley and make your crooked way straight.
Study your Bible before you go out. Get to hear the voice of God from it. Meditate on the **word** of God before you go out to face the **world.**

NEVER FORSAKE QUIET TIME

26TH THING

NEVER FAIL TO LABOUR

WITH YOUR HANDS

True Talk: Those that refuse to labour disqualify themselves from favour, remove flavor from their lives and disengage themselves from honour, for every saviour is a worker.
God's Word: " ***He who tills his lands will have plenty of bread, but he who follows frivolity will have poverty enough*** " **(Prov. 28:19)**

He that desires favour should be ready to labour, for labour brings glamour and attracts favour.

Never fail to labour with your hands. Do not rely on anybody for sustenance. You can never be independent if you are dependent on somebody's else.

Hard work answers to hard life. Work hard so as not to live hard. Success is a game of the best actors, not the best theorist. It is for goal-getters, not for goal-cheerers. You amount to nothing until you do something. Action is said to speak louder than intention. So if you venture to do nothing, you can never have a successful venture. People that cause **rain to fall will regain as kings, not those that wish there was a shower. Unless you have something to sell, you cannot excel.**

Do something. Stop crying. Stop worrying. Stop blaming the nationa l 's economy. Stop blaming the nation's economy. Stop blaming your location. Make the best of your present position. Better your lot and be a blessing to people around you. Your worth is your work. Your sweat is your " sweet " . Your labour is your favour and honour.

NEVER FAIL TO LABOUR
WITH YOUR HANDS
27TH THING

NEVER PITCH YOUR TENT AGAINST GOD

True Talk: If you recognize God, anybody that antagonizes you is digging his grave. But when you war against God, you walk into trouble.

God's Word: " ***The righteous of the blameless will direct his way aright, but the wicked will fall by his own wickedness*** " (Prov.11:3)
Never make the mistake of Achan made. Never fall into the errors of Korah, Dathan and Abiram. Do not join the company of Pharaoh, Goliath, Sennacherib, Herod and others. Never pitch your tent against God.
Pitching your tent against God result from many ways:

1. Failure to accept Jesus as your Lord and personal savior
2. Failure to live a holy life
3. Failure to avoid sin
4. Failure to pay your tithe and offering
5. Fighting anointed men of God
6. Abortion/Murder
7. Pre-marital sex/Prostitution
8. Examination malpractices
9. Prayerlessness/Disobedient to God
10. Disobedient to parent
11. Lying/unfaithfulness
12. Cultism, drug abuse, etc.

NEVER PITCH YOUR TENT AGAINST GOD
28TH THING

NEVER FAIL TO READ BOOKS

True Talk: It takes an egg to make omelets. It takes a reader to makes a good reader.
God's Word: ***" Listen to counsel and receive instruction, that you may be wise in your latter days "*** **(Prov.9:20)**

People who fail to read are not better than those who cannot read Greatness is hidden on the pages of books. Never fail to read at least a book per week.

Learn from the mistakes of some people. Avoid the pitfall of the people of the past by reading their books Combine the knowledge of seven geniuses by studying their works. People that read lead, because a leader is a reader.

For God's sake, develop your brain, let it sweat and improve itself. What you know is what will make you known. Pay any price to get a book. If you read books, very soon people will book you for honor. You will soon become the mentor of your mates and the lender of your equal. Please read!

NEVER FAIL TO READ BOOKS

29TH THING

NEVER FAIL TO PUT YOURSELF

IN "GEAR FORCE"

True Talk: You can do it, yes you can. You can't do it. Yes you can't, it is a matter of choice.

God's Word: ***And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven***

***suffered violence, and the violent take it by force.* Matt. 11:12**

I may look difficult, it may seem tedious but the truth is you can do it. You can make it happen. Never fail to put yourself in gear force.

Do not lie down there like a deflated balloon. Give your life a new hope, new faith and new vision and new enthusiasm. Bounce back like a ball at its best, do not burst like balloon. Take your victory by force. Never negotiate your victory through fear. Add discipline to determination and spice up dedication with desperation. Then you are due for distinction.

Take your victory by force, win the battle by choice. Do not cast down your head; lift up your head and win your wars.

NEVER FAIL TO PUT YOURSELF IN GEAR FORCE

30TH THING

NEVER FAIL TO HAVE A FOCUS

True Talk: If you have no focus, you have a full course to fail.

God's Word: "The lamp of the body is the eye. If therefore your eye is single,

your whole body will be full of light". (Matt.6:22).

" Like a bird that wanders from its nest; is a man who wanders from his place". **(Prov. 27:8)**

No matter how far a journey is, if you know where you are going and keep pressing on, you will surely get there. It takes a little change of focus for the eye to see the nose.

If you know your purpose in life, turn it to vision. Then press on. Keep on doing it. If the results do not come; resolve to do it again and again. You can re-draw your plan but do not withdraw it. Never get busy here and there. It is dangerous. Confront all obstacles headway. They are not getting better but you growing bigger.

Let your eyes be single. Look straight. Move forward. Go forward. Look upward. People that quit are the people that fail. Don't become a jack of all trades and master of none. Be an expert in one thing. Know that thing through and through. Do it in the best way. Let people know you for the thing. I will rather remain small in one thing than be big and in nothing.

NEVER FAIL TO HAVE A FOCUS

31ST THING

NEVER FAIL TO UPDATE YOURSELF

True Talk: When you are not moving for-

ward, you are not static but moving backward. You cannot be correct if you are not current.

God's Word: "*Be diligent to know the state of your flocks and attend to your herds*". Proverbs 27:23

Yesterday news is past, nobody rush to get it again. But twenty four hours ago, it was an hot cake. Now it is only news when it is new. You cannot move forward if you are facing back.

You must not fail to update yourself because if you are not up-to-date, you will be outdated. If you are not correct you are not current.

Do you still transact your business on "snail mail" in these days of e-mails? Are you computer literate? If you are not, you are truly an illiterate. Are you still using the typewriter invented in the days of Methuselah when everybody is on computer? Do you study marketing but cannot drive? You are really ready for a job. Lady, can you handle a gas cooker? Or all you know is your kerosene stove and firewood? UPDATE YOURSELF

When last have you read a book? Have you read any of today's paper? Do you listen to news? Do you write your CV like those seeking jobs from colonial masters in the 30s? Is your dressing up to date with this your red cap, green blouse, blue skirt, yellow bag and white shoe? Why the colour riot?

Get hooked to the current knowledge. Use new ideas. Read books and newspaper. De-

velop yourself. Be current. Read my books, 22 PILLARS OF SUCCESS, for more information.

NEVER FAIL TO UPDATE YOURSELF

FINAL WORD

You have just had an encounter with truth that will transform your life. That is just the first step to an enviable future.

The second indispensable step is for you to place value on your life by leaving a righteousness life. God has not created you to experience failure in marriage, relationship, academics, careers or anywhere. You have to make up your mind to avoid all the 31 **DEADLY THINGS** discussed in this book. Having done all, you will be surprised at the rate Gods promises will come to fulfillment in your life.

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