

YOUR MARRIAGE MIGHT BE IN TROUBLE IF . . .

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There are numerous clues couples give which indicate that their marriages may be in trouble. Some of the clues are obvious and some are more subtle. It is essential to strengthening a marriage that these clues be recognized, admitted, and addressed in a biblical manner. Here are some of those clues.

- 1. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you “build each other up”, but with a tone of bitterness, disrespect, or sarcasm**
- 2. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you use public situations to cut each other down**
- 3. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you use your spouse as the brunt of jokes**
- 4. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you disagree on how to discipline the children**
- 5. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you continually say your marriage is perfect or without problems . . . You don't need to make any changes . . .**
- 6. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you call each other ugly and degrading names**
- 7. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you or your spouse are continually making excuses for being away from home**
- 8. Your marriage might be in trouble IF there is a lack of attention, common courtesy or tenderness being shared**
- 9. Your marriage might be in trouble IF one spouse is expected to do more of the chores and upkeep of the house**
- 10. Your marriage might be in trouble IF there is constant bickering, nagging, and nit picking going on between you and your spouse**
- 11. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you and your spouse work and both go your separate ways**
- 12. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you and your spouse cannot discuss issues or differences without getting into a heated argument or a fight**

13. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you have separate bedrooms when there isn't a health or physical problem

14. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you allow in-laws to set policy or make decisions for your marriage

15. Your marriage might be in trouble IF there are continual accusations that "you never listen"

16. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you push all responsibility for making decisions off on your spouse

17. Your marriage might be in trouble IF your children aren't respectful, well behaved, and mannerly

18. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you are always stressed out and arguing about finances

19. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you are always playing the blame game

20. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you are trying to live a lifestyle that's not really you or is way beyond your financial means

21. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you resent your children and counting the day they'll be out of the house

22. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you find time to spend with groups but not with each other.

23. Your marriage might be in trouble IF there are differences in your religious convictions and practices

24. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you don't love your spouse "like Christ loves the church"

25. Your marriage might be in trouble IF you don't forgive your spouse like God forgives you

26. Your marriage might be in trouble IF there are unresolved sexual issues