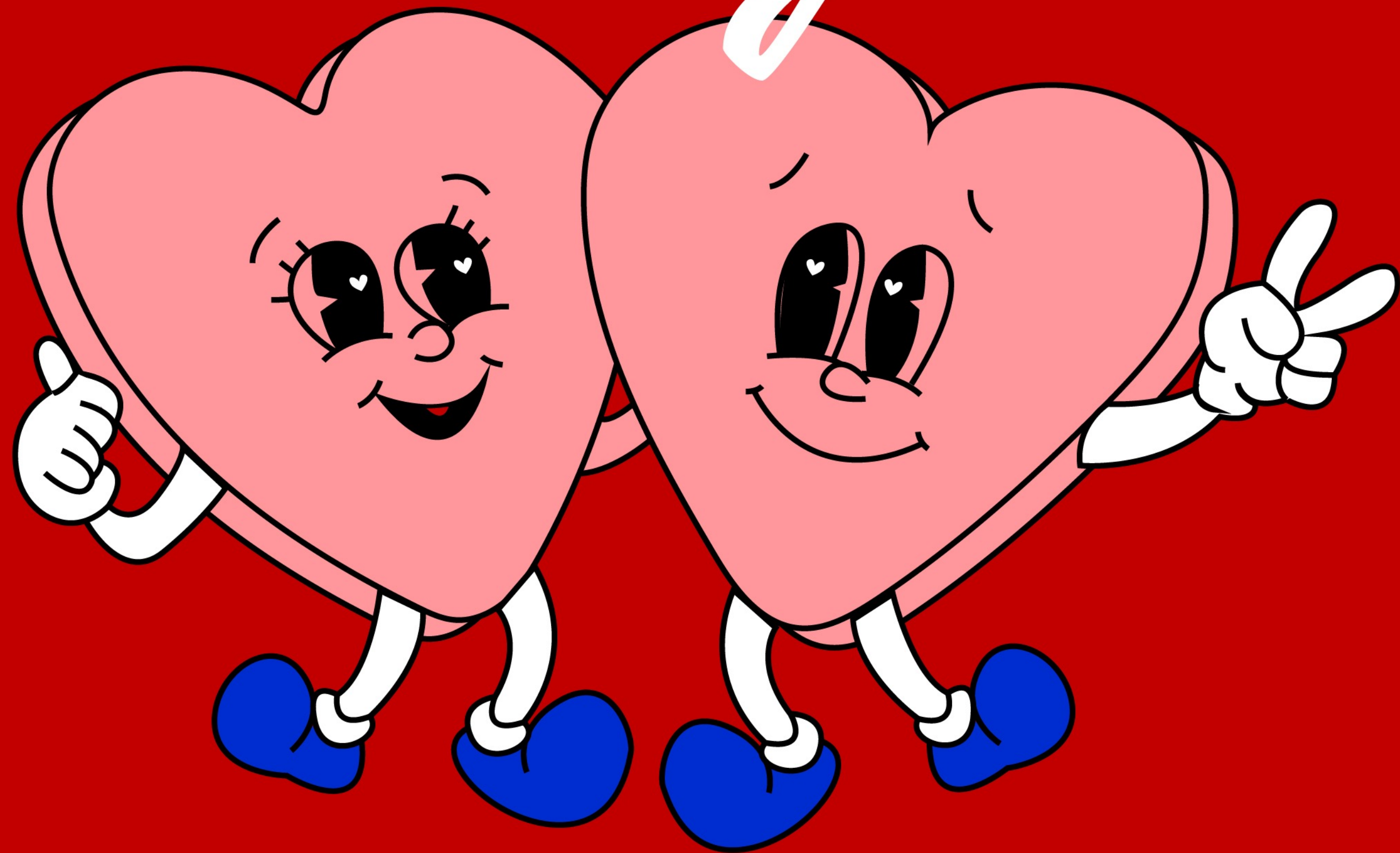
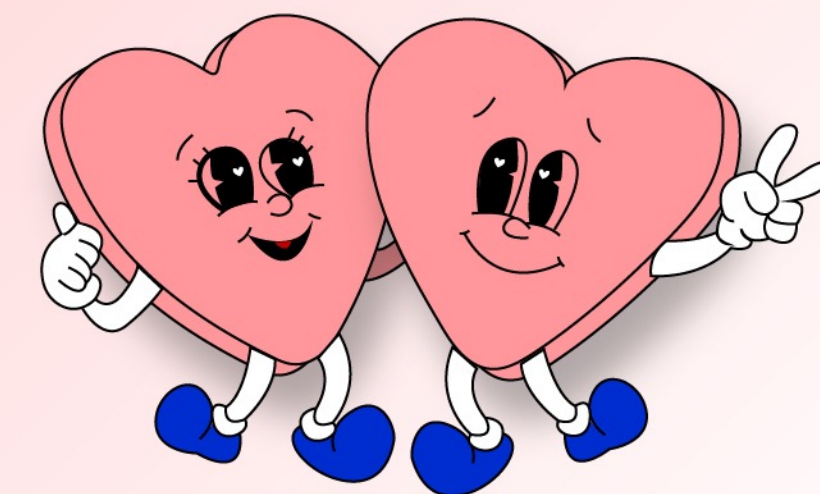


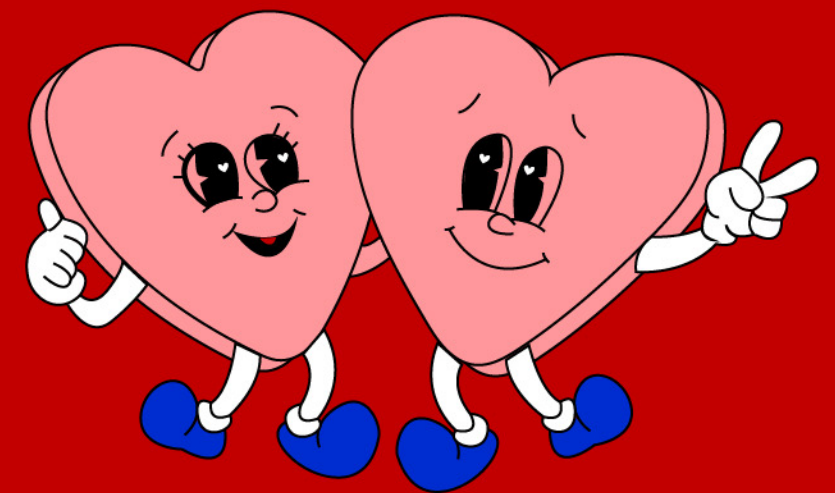
*Better Together?*



ARE WE BETTER  
TOGETHER?

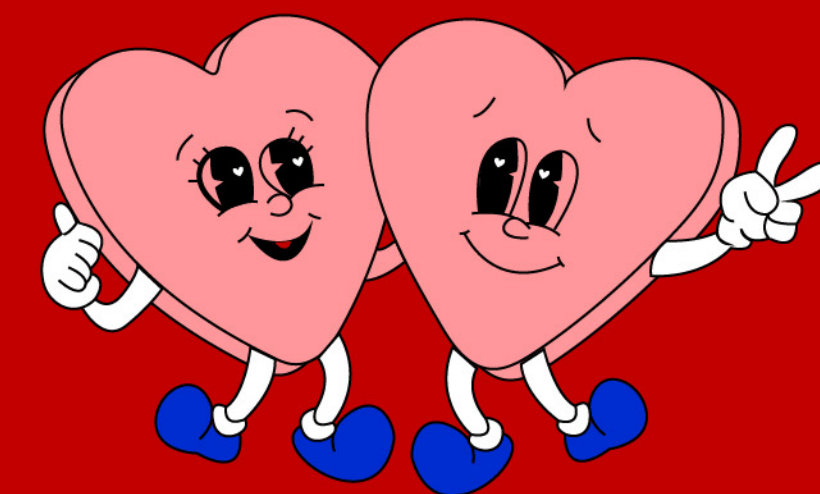


# KNOW YOUR WHY

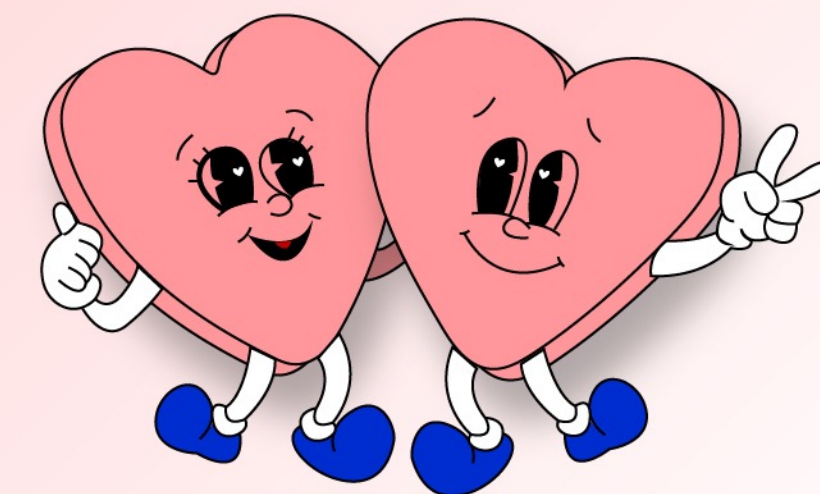




WHY  
TO DETERMINE  
SUITABILITY FOR  
MARRIAGE

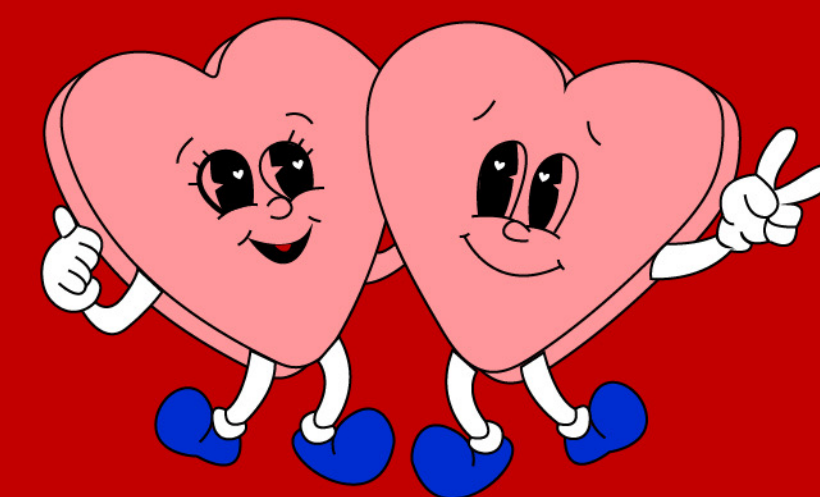


# BIBLICAL FRAMEWORK FOR MARRIAGE



#1

GOD CREATED MARRIAGE  
BETWEEN A MAN AND A  
WOMAN TO REFLECT THE  
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN  
CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH  
(EPH 5:21-33)

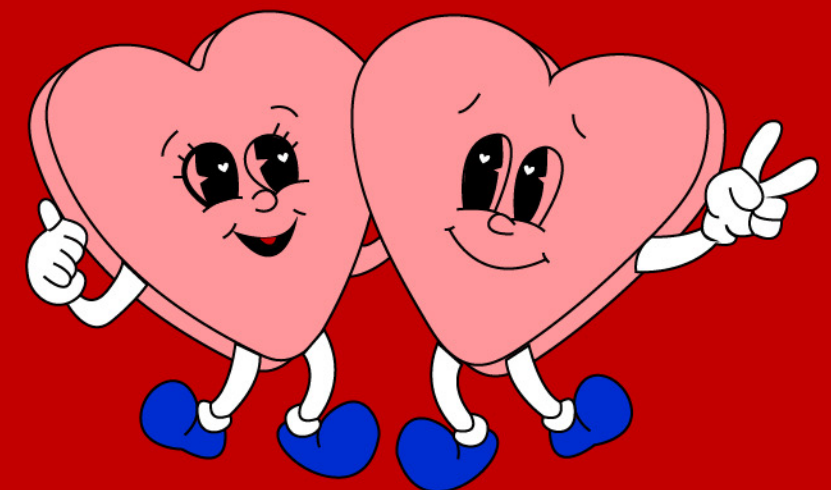


## IMPACT FOR DATING:

DO THEY DEMONSTRATE  
SACRIFICIAL LOVE AND  
SUBMISSION?

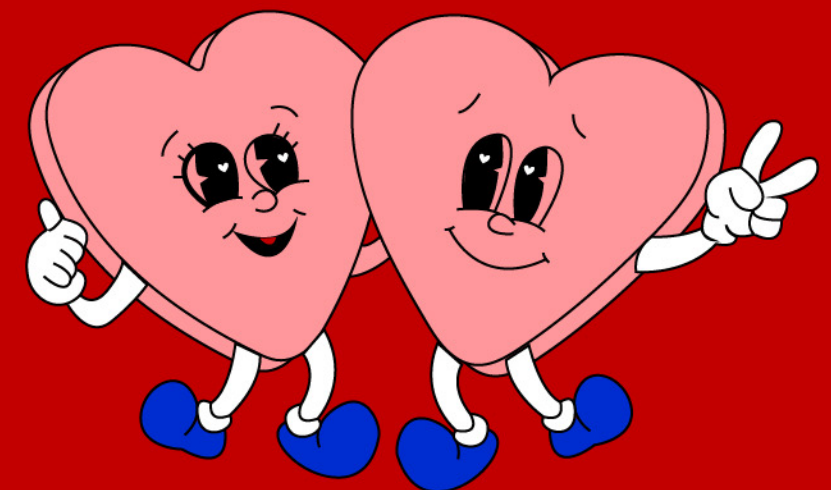
DO THEY HONOUR GOD FIRST? DO  
THEY SEEK TO HONOUR OTHERS?

DO THEY PURSUE HOLINESS AND  
ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO DO THE  
SAME?



#2

GOD CREATED MARRIAGE  
FOR FRIENDSHIP  
(GEN 2:18, 23-25)

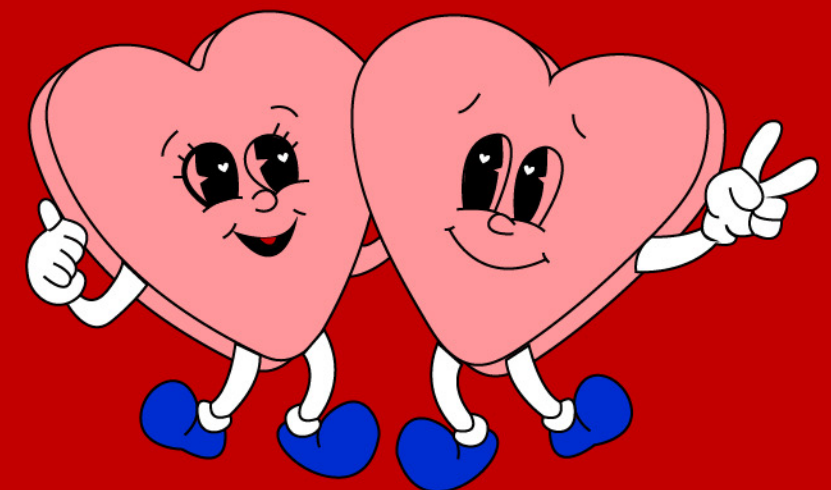




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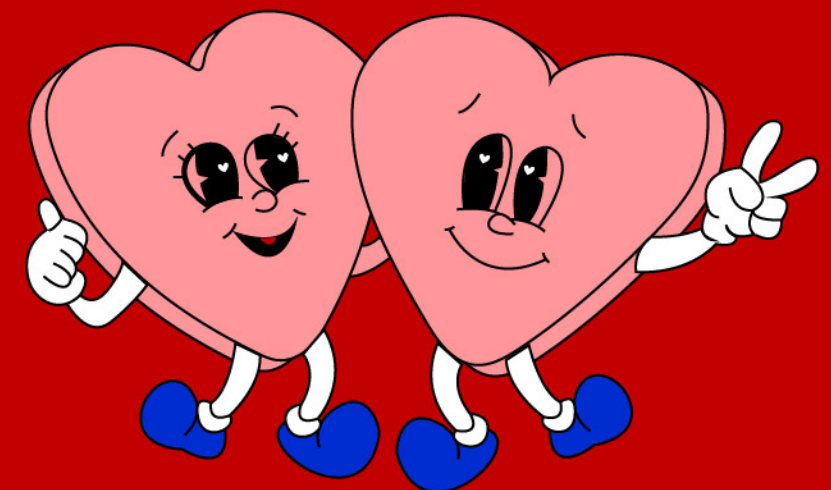
DO YOU ENJOY FRIENDSHIP WITH THEM?

DO YOU COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER'S STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES?



#3

GOD CREATED MARRIAGE  
TO LAST A LIFETIME

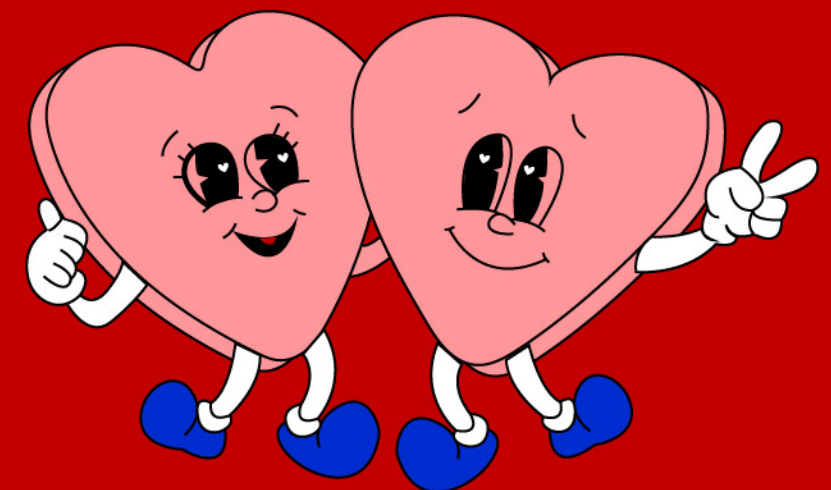


## IMPACT FOR DATING:

DO THEY DEMONSTRATE FIDELITY  
AND COMMITMENT?

DO THEY GIVE UP EASILY?

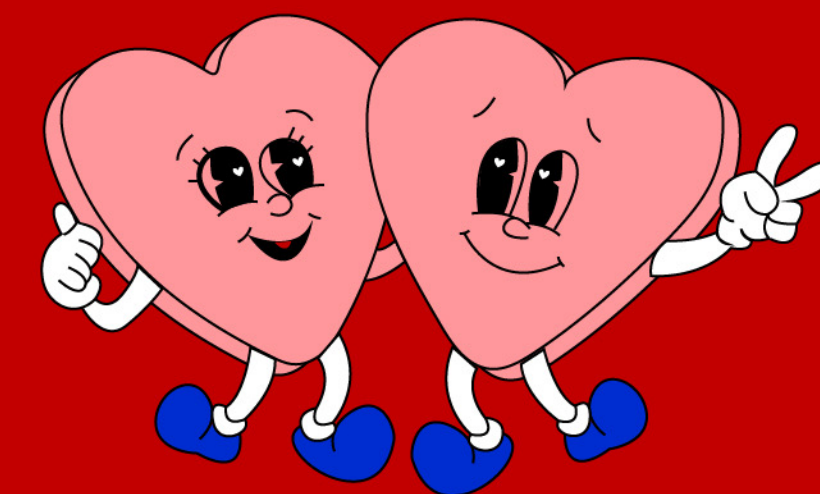
DO THEY FAITHFULLY BATTLE SIN  
STRUGGLES?



#4

GOD CREATED MARRIAGE  
FOR PROCREATION AND  
THE DISCIPLESHIP OF  
CHILDREN

(GEN 1:28, DEUT 6:4-9)

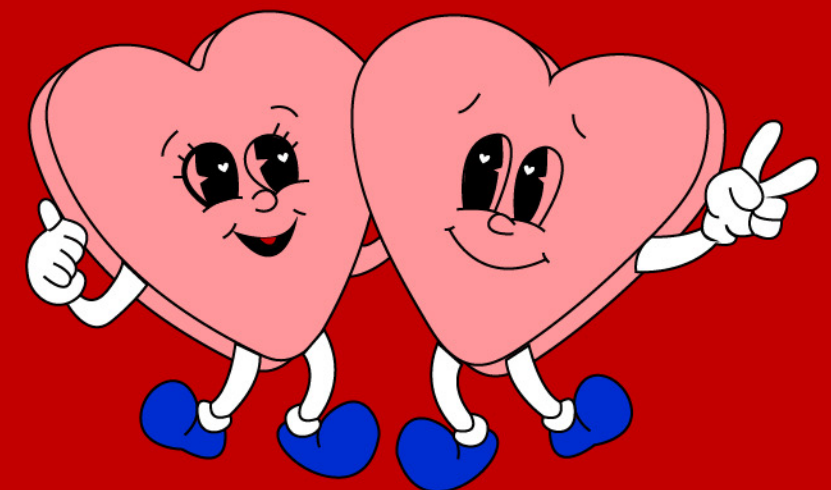




## IMPACT FOR DATING:

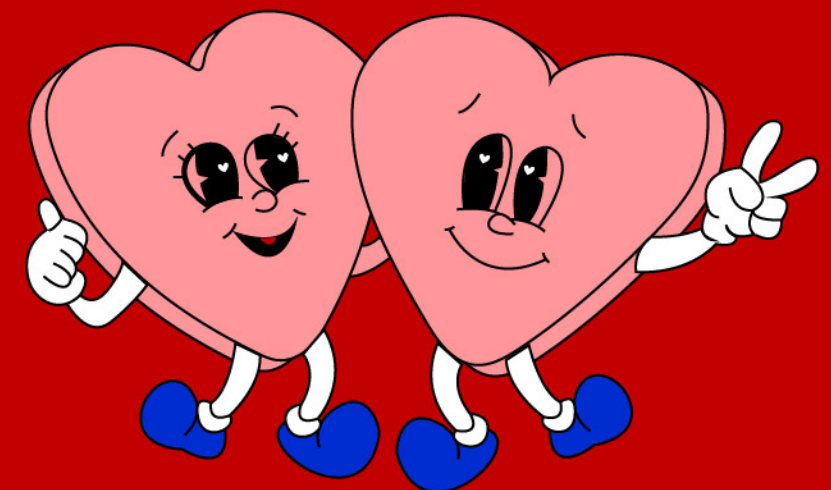
ARE THEY WILLING TO BE A DISCIPLE  
AND TO DISCIPLE OTHERS?

CAN THEY MODEL THE LIFE OF A  
DISCIPLE TO YOUR FUTURE  
CHILDREN (BIOLOGICAL OR  
SPIRITUAL)?



#5

GOD CREATED MARRIAGE  
AS THE PROPER CONTEXT  
FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF  
SEXUAL FULFILMENT  
(1 COR 7:1-6)

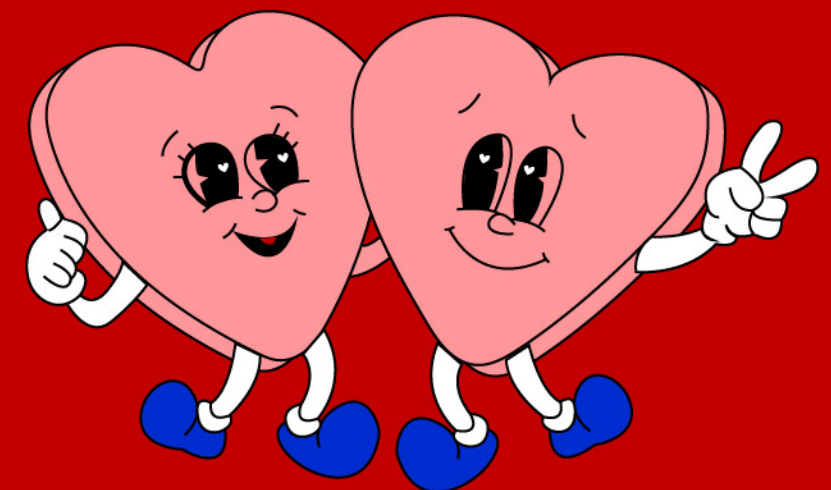


## IMPACT FOR DATING:

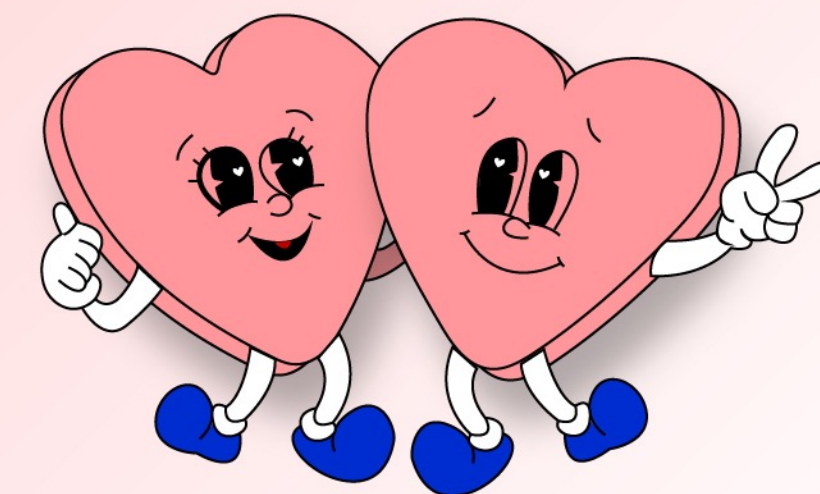
DO THEY PRACTISE SELF-CONTROL?

DO THEY STRUGGLE WITH SEXUAL  
SIN - PORNOGRAPHY ADDITION,  
UNABLE TO KEEP TO PHYSICAL  
BOUNDARIES ETC.?

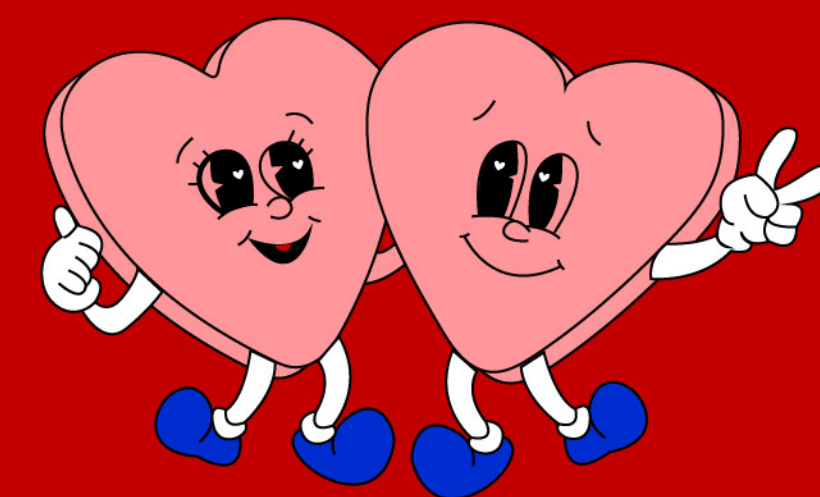
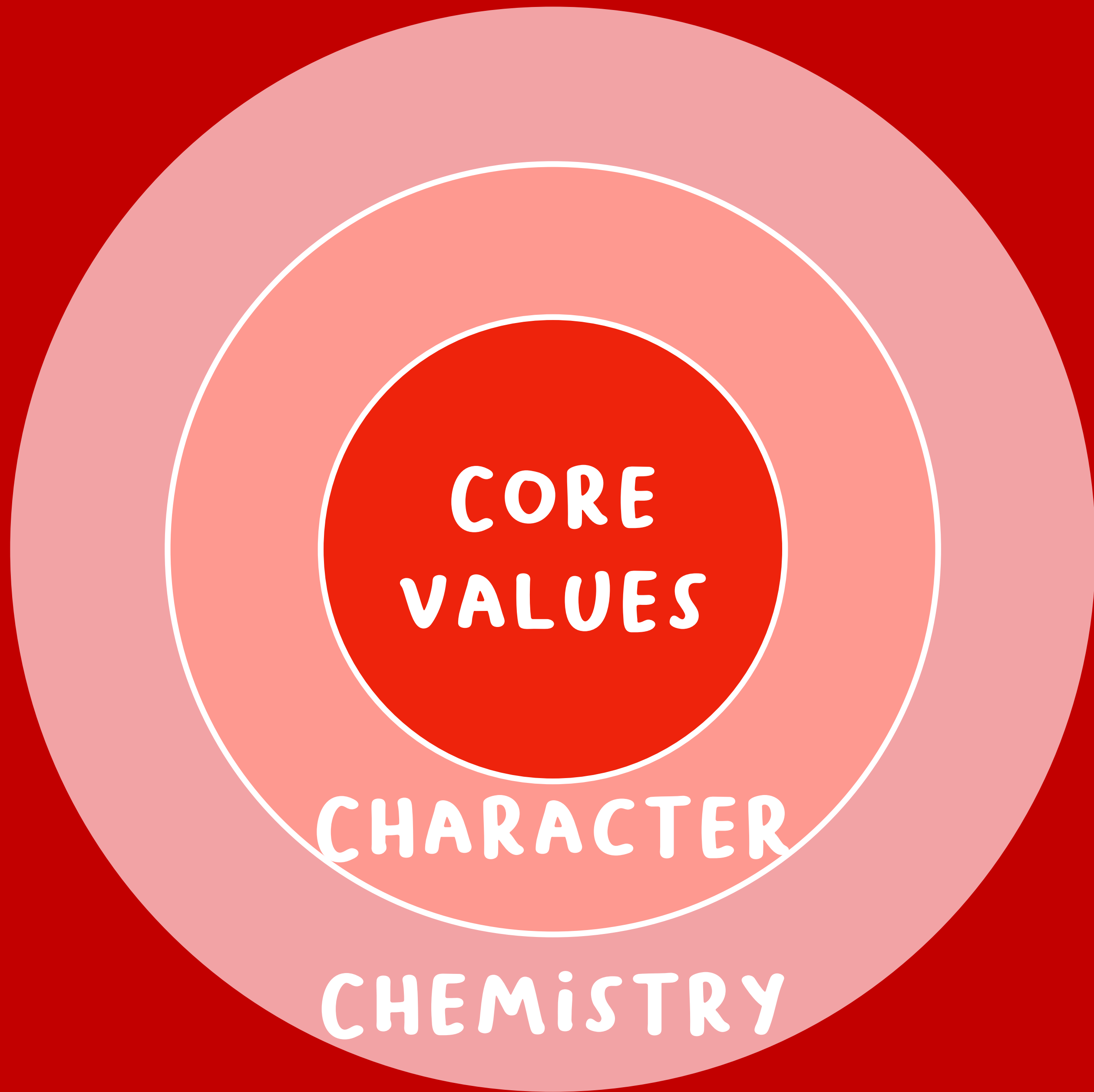
ARE THEY WILLING TO PRACTISE  
CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE?



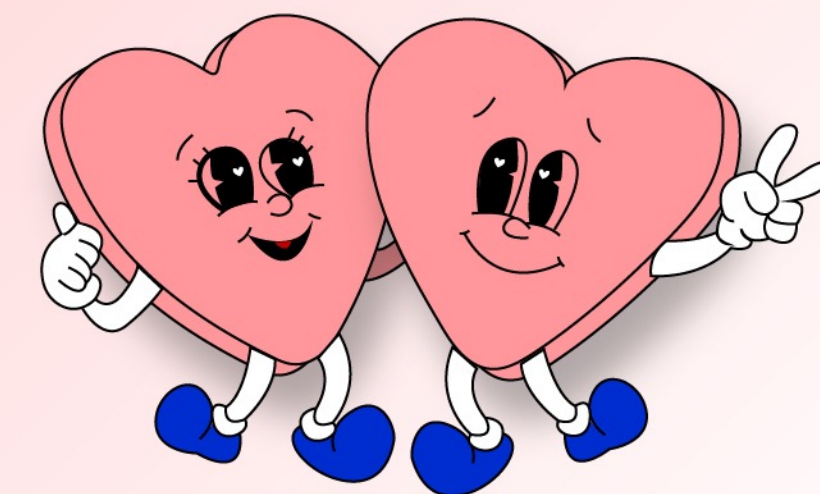
# WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN A MARRIAGE PARTNER



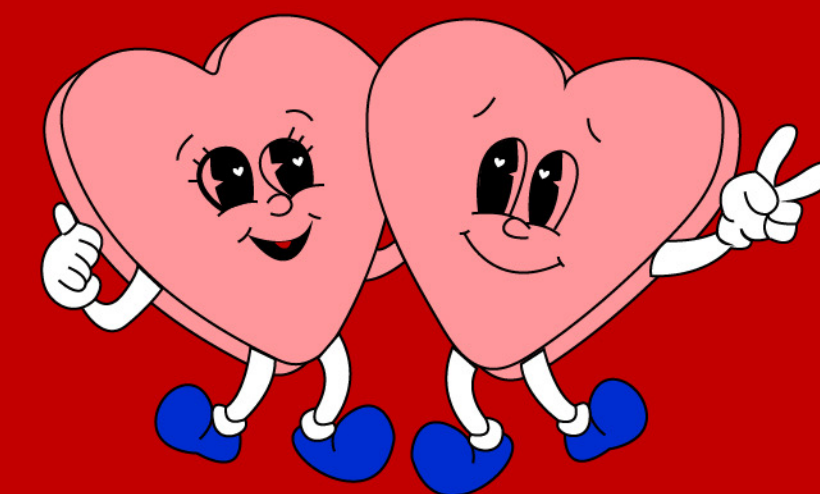




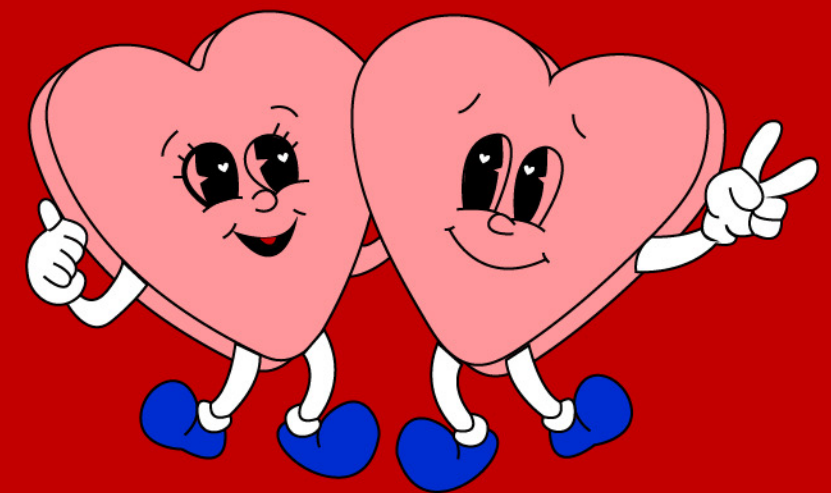
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DATING is NOT  
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MARRIAGE

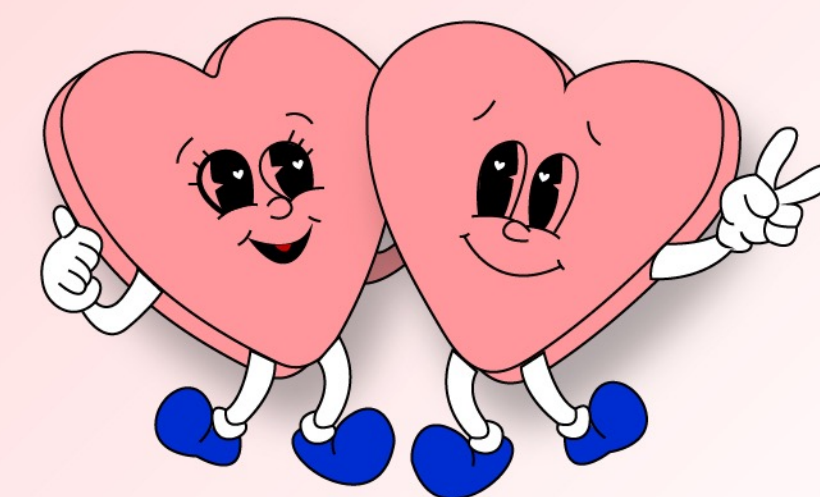


- SEXUAL PURITY
- EMOTIONAL EXPECTATIONS
- LIFE DECISIONS

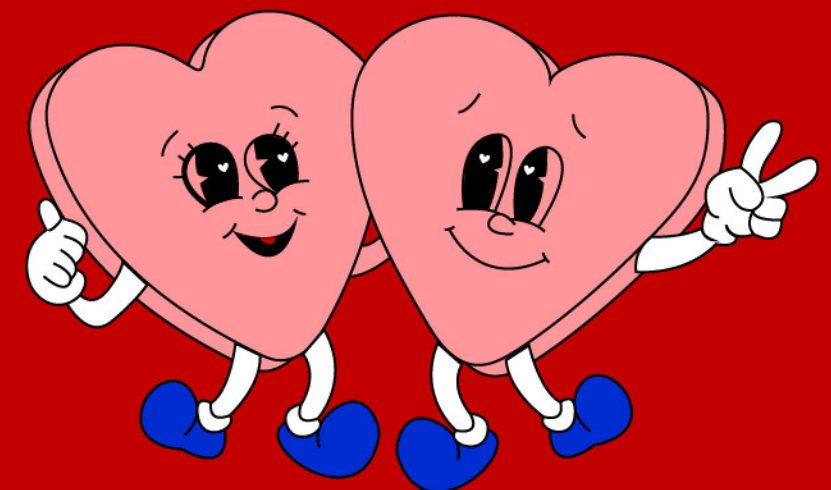




TO WRAP UP:



1. KNOW YOUR WHY
2. UNDERSTAND THE BIBLICAL FRAMEWORK FOR MARRIAGE
3. CONSIDER CORE VALUES,  
CHARACTER & CHEMISTRY
4. HAVE APPROPRIATE  
EXPECTATIONS WHEN  
DATING



## RESOURCES:

1. THE MEANING OF MARRIAGE - TIM KELLER
2. YOU AND ME FOREVER - FRANCIS & LISA CHAN
3. THE MINGLING OF SOULS - MATT CHANDLER
4. OUTDATED - JONATHAN "JP" POKLUDA
5. NOT YET MARRIED - MARSHALL LEGAL
6. BECOMING SOMETHING PODCAST

