

Congratulations on your engagement!

The following pages are a questionnaire that each one of you needs to complete and return to Shoreline Calvary Chapel.

If you have been married previously, please also complete the addendum.

Premarital Counseling consists of 7 – 1 hour appointments.

One of the first steps is to clear the wedding date and time with Pastor Jack's calendar. Because of our Saturday evening service, all weddings must be scheduled to start by 2 pm. Pastor Jack needs the travel time and time to transition between officiating and celebrating your marriage and pastoring and teaching his flock. Please also keep in mind his travel time with these guidelines. The farther from Morro Bay, the earlier your wedding will need to start.

May God bless your proposed marriage in ways you could never imagine.

### Stuff to know for Premarital Counseling

Bring your Bible - You should never expect a premarital counseling appointment where you won't need your Bible. You will be reading the Word of God.

Bring a notebook and a pen— We suggest a journal that will only be used for your premarital counseling. That way you don't have to dig through grocery lists and history homework to review this vital information.

Seek honesty, humility and a willingness to pray. Remember, this is premarital counseling, not just premarital teaching. It is our desire to provide for you the clearest and most Godly Biblical counseling available,

Know that you will also need to schedule an appointment 3 months after the wedding. We like to do a check-up to review the vows as they are now lived out in reality and try to squelch any bad habits before they become every day life.

Pastor Jack's schedule is busy. You will likely need to be flexible.



## Premarital Counseling Preliminary Questionnaire

- 1) Name
- 2) Fiancé's name:
- 3) Have you confessed Jesus as your Lord and Savior?
- 4) Present Age:
- 5) Email Address and Day Time Phone Number:
- 6) Proposed Wedding Date:
- 7) Proposed Officiate:
- 8) Proposed Wedding Site:
- 9) Do you consider Shoreline your home church? If not where do you attend?
- 10) How long have you known each other?
- 11) How long have you been together romantically?
- 12) Do you have your parent's blessing upon this engagement?
- 13) Do your parents profess to be Christian?
- 14) Are your parents still married?
- 15) What makes your spouse the "right one"?
- 16) How and where did you meet?
- 17) Did your relationship start out centered on Christ?

18)Have you two crossed any physical boundaries that are against your convictions?

19)Is this current?

20)Are you two sexually active?

21)Are you currently living together?

22)What have you done / do you do regularly - to invest spiritually in your relationship?

23)What do you do most of the time you two are together?

24)Write out briefly the history of your relationship.

25)When did you come to know Jesus as your Lord and Savior?

**Addendum for those previously married** (use additional paper as needed)

- 1) How many times have you been married before?
- 2) List the years you were married.
- 3) Why did your marriage(s) end? (if “divorce” is the answer than continue with the questions below)
- 4) When was your divorce finalized?
- 5) Who filed for divorce, you or your spouse?
- 6) What were cause/grounds for this divorce?
- 7) Was there any sexual sin involved? By whom?
- 8) What their violence involved? By whom?
- 9) Were the police ever involved? Who called them?
- 10) Explain any counseling you and your previous spouse sought before getting the divorce. Be sure to include the amount of time you two were in counseling.
- 11) Where is your former spouse today?
- 12) What is your current relationship with your former spouse?
- 13) Is he/she aware of your plans for remarriage?
- 14) What is the current marital status of your former spouse?
- 15) Are there any children involved? If so, please list their names and ages.
- 16) What type of custody is involved with them and your former spouse?
- 17) Is there any issue from your previous marriage that demands forgiveness?

