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The Meaning of Marriage - Timothy Keller
2011-11-24

In previous books respected New York pastor and bestselling author Timothy Keller has looked at such diverse and topical subjects as the existence of God, our need to do justice, the meaning of Jesus' life, and the human temptation to make idols - all through the twin lenses of a biblical framework and an engagement with contemporary culture. In this new book, co-authored with his wife, Kathy, he turns his attention to that most complex of matters: our need for love, and its expression in marriage. Beginning with the biblical narrative, and its pictures of marriage that span the original ideal to the broken to the redemptive, he looks at themes of friendship and commitment; the completion of men and women in each other; singleness, sex and divorce; and ministry and discipleship within the context of marriage. This is a profound and engaging work that will challenge and inspire people in all stages of life - single, newlywed and married.

Love, Sex, and Happily Ever After - Craig Groeschel
2011-12-14

What do you do if you want a marriage that doesn't just survive, but thrives? That doesn't just begin romantically but ends magnificently? Answer: You do something different. You've seen marriages fail time and again. Even relationships you thought were bulletproof don't last-or

maybe worse—fade away to a cold, gray lovelessness. It's no wonder that for today's generation, "getting what you want" is often a substitute for love, and disillusionment about marriage is the new normal. But you can have a long-term, love-blessed marriage. Whether you're still considering it, are about to be wed, or have been married for a while and want to make changes, *Love, Sex & Happily Ever After* delivers an infusion of hope. Author Craig Groeschel clearly and honestly lays out the choices and commitments you can make now to change the way you think and act—to build the relationship you want for the rest of your life. With an invigorating mix of personal story, practical guidance and biblical truth, Craig invites you into a candid conversation about first dates, sex, communication, integrity, forgiveness, and commitment. Along the way, he shows how you can build a soul-enriching, God-honoring relationship with the one you love...and believe together again in your very own "happily ever after." Previously released as *Going All the Way*

Happy Wives Club - Fawn Weaver
2014-01-14
A New York Times Bestseller! One woman undertakes a worldwide search to learn the secrets of a great marriage—and finds one foundational truth that could change everything. Fawn Weaver was a happily married woman running a successful business—and then

something happened. Maybe it was divorce rate reports on the evening news, *The Real Housewives of Orange County*, or any daytime talk show where husbands and wives dramatically reveal their betrayals. Everywhere she looked, Fawn saw negative portrayals of marriage dominating the airwaves and dooming everyone to failure. Looking at Keith, the love of her life, she knew that wasn't true. She was determined to find and connect with women just like her—happy and optimistic about marriage, deeply in love with her spouse, and committed to building a strong marriage that stands the test of time. On a whim, she started the blog HappyWivesClub.com and sent the link to a few of new friends. What started as a casual invitation to five women exploded into an international online club with 150,000 members in more than 100 countries. Happy Wives Club is Fawn's journey across the world to meet her friends and discover what makes their marriages great. Join her on this exciting, exotic trip across six continents and through more than eighteen cities. Walk the streets of Mauritius, the historic ruins in Italy, and the vistas of New Zealand and Australia. Go from Cape Town to London, Manila to Buenos Aires, Winnipeg to Zagreb. Along the way, you will meet everyday women whose marriage secrets span cultures. You will hear their stories, witness their love, and be inspired by the proof that happy, healthy marriages do exist—and yours can be one of them! It turns out great marriages are all around us—when we look for them. Go on a trip with Fawn and learn the best marriage secrets the world has to offer.

Marriage, a History - Stephanie Coontz
2006-02-28

Just when the clamor over "traditional" marriage couldn't get any louder, along comes this groundbreaking book to ask, "What tradition?" In *Marriage, a History*, historian and marriage expert Stephanie Coontz takes readers from the marital intrigues of ancient Babylon to the torments of Victorian lovers to demonstrate how recent the idea of marrying for love is—and how absurd it would have seemed to most of our ancestors. It was when marriage moved into the emotional sphere in the nineteenth century, she argues, that it suffered as an institution just as it began to thrive as a personal relationship. This enlightening and hugely entertaining book

brings intelligence, perspective, and wit to today's marital debate.

The Three Marriages - David Whyte
2009-01-22

A radical, "crystalline" (Elle) approach to integrating our work, relationships, and inner selves from the bestselling author, poet, and speaker. The author of *Crossing the Unknown Sea* and *The Heart Aroused* encourages readers to reimagine how they inhabit the worlds of love, work, and self-understanding. Whyte suggests that separating these "marriages" in order to balance them is to destroy the fabric of happiness itself. Drawing from his own struggles and the lives of some of the world's great writers and artists—from Dante to Jane Austen to Robert Louis Stevenson—Whyte explores the ways these core commitments are connected. Only by understanding the journey involved in each of the three marriages and the stages of their maturation, he says, can we understand how to bring them together in one fulfilled life.

The New I Do - Susan Pease Gadoua 2014-09-23

If half of all cars bought in America each year broke down, there would be a national uproar. But when people suggest that maybe every single marriage doesn't look like the next and isn't meant to last until death, there's nothing but a rash of proposed laws trying to force it to do just that. In *The New I Do*, therapist Susan Pease Gadoua and journalist Vicki Larson take a groundbreaking look at the modern shape of marriage to help readers open their minds to marrying more consciously and creatively. Offering actual models of less-traditional marriages, including everything from a parenting marriage (intended for the sake of raising and nurturing children) to a comfort or safety marriage (where people marry for financial security or companionship), the book covers unique options for couples interested in forging their own paths. With advice to help listeners decide what works for them, *The New I Do* acts as a guide to thinking outside the marital box and the framework for a new debate on marriage in the 21st century.

The New Rules of Marriage - Terrence Real
2007-01-30

In his extraordinary new book, Terrence Real, distinguished therapist and bestselling author, presents a long overdue message that women

need to hear: You aren't crazy—you're right! Women have changed in the last twenty-five years—they have become powerful, independent, self-confident, and happy. Yet many men remain irresponsible and emotionally detached. They don't know how to respond to frustrated partners who just want their mates to show up and grow up. Enter the good news: In this revolutionary book, *Real* shows women how to master the new rules of twenty-first-century marriage by offering them a set of effective tools with which they can create the truly intimate relationship that they desire and deserve. He identifies five non-starters to avoid and shares practical strategies for bringing honesty, passion, and joy back to even the most difficult relationship. Using his experience helping thousands of couples shift from despair to profound emotional closeness, *Real* guides you through the process of relationship repair with exercises that you can do alone or with your partner. With this program you'll discover how to - identify and articulate your wants and needs - listen well and respond generously - set limits, and stand up for yourself - embrace and appreciate what you have - know when to seek outside help

The New Rules of Marriage will introduce you to a radically new kind of relationship, one based on the idea that every woman has the power to transform her marriage, while men, given the right support, have it in them to rise to the occasion. We have never wanted so much from our relationships as we do today. More than any other generation, we yearn for our mates to be lifelong friends and lovers. The New Rules of Marriage shows us how to fulfill this courageous and uncompromising new vision.

It Takes One to Tango - Winifred M. Reilly
2017-04-04

With a focus on self-empowerment and resilience, this refreshing and witty relationship guide has a reassuring counterintuitive message for unhappy spouses: you only need one partner to initiate far-reaching positive change in a marriage. Conventional wisdom says that "it takes two" to turn a troubled marriage around and that both partners must have a shared commitment to change. So when couples can't agree on how—or whether—to make their marriage better, many give up or settle for a

less-than-satisfying marriage (or think the only way out is divorce). Fortunately, there is an alternative. "What distinguishes Reilly's book is that she says a warring couple don't have to agree on the goal of staying together; it takes one person changing, not both, to make a marriage work" (The New York Times). Marriage and family therapist Winifred Reilly has this message for struggling partners: Take the lead. Doing so is effective—and powerful. Through Reilly's own story of reclaiming her now nearly forty-year marriage, along with anecdotes from many clients she's worked with, you'll learn how to: -Focus on your own behaviors and change them in ways that make you feel good about yourself and your marriage -Take a firm stand for what truly matters to you without arguing, cajoling, or resorting to threats -Identify the "big picture" issues at the basis of your repetitive fights—and learn how to unhook from them -Be less reactive, especially in the face of your spouse's provocations -Develop the strength and stamina to be the sole agent of change

Combining psychological theory, practical advice, and personal narrative, *It Takes One to Tango* is a "wise and uplifting" (Dr. Ellyn Bader, Director of The Couples Institute) guide that will empower those who choose to take a bold, proactive approach to creating a loving and lasting marriage.

The 80/80 Marriage - Nate Klemp PhD
2021-02-09

NAMED ONE OF COSMOPOLITAN'S "15 BEST MARRIAGE BOOKS ALL COUPLES SHOULD READ." An accessible, transformative guide for couples seeking greater love, connection, and intimacy in our modern world Nate and Kaley Klemp were both successful in their careers, consulting for high-powered companies around the world. Their work as mindfulness and leadership experts, however, often fell to the wayside when they came home in the evening, only to end up fighting about fairness in their marriage. They believed in a model where each partner contributed equally and fairness ruled, but, in reality, they were finding that balance near impossible to achieve. From this frustration, they developed the idea of the 80/80 marriage, a new model for balancing career, family, and love. The 80/80 Marriage pushes couples beyond the limited idea of "fairness"

toward a new model grounded on radical generosity and shared success, one that calls for each partner to contribute 80 percent to build the strongest possible relationship. Drawing from more than one hundred interviews with couples from all walks of life, stories from business and pop culture, scientific studies, and ancient philosophical insights, husband-and-wife team Nate and Kaley Klemp pinpoint exactly what's not working in modern marriage. Their 80/80 model of marriage provides practical, powerful solutions to transform your relationship and open up space for greater love and connection.

Marriage Rules - Harriet Lerner 2012-01-05
Following a unique format perfect for today's world, the renowned author of *The Dance of Anger* gives us just over 100 rules that cover all the hot spots in long-term relationships. *Marriage Rules* offers new solutions to age-old problems ("He won't talk"/"She doesn't want sex") as well as modern ones (your partner's relationship to technology.) You'll also learn how to: Calm things down and warm them up Talk straight and fight fair Listen well as a spiritual practice Connect with a distant partner Survive the unique challenges of children, stepchildren and difficult- laws Follow a 12-step program to overcome defensiveness Know how and when to draw the line Take back your marriage when things fall apart *Marriage Rules* is a treasure chest of lively, practical advice to help you navigate your couple relationship with clarity, courage, and joyous conviction. If one person in a couple follows ten rules of his or her choice, it will generate a major, positive change. All that's required is a genuine wish for a better relationship and a willingness to practice.

5 Simple Steps to Take Your Marriage from Good to Great - Terri L. Orbuch 2015-10-27
Contrary to what you've been told, keeping a marriage successful does NOT take hard work! All it takes is making a few small changes over time. If you're feeling your good marriage is starting to show a little wear, zero in on those imperfections, right?WRONG! Focus on what's going well! Enhance the good aspects of your marriage and build on the solid foundation you already have. Dr. Orbuch debunks many common marriage myths and you'll find out who needs more compliments—men or women. Who

falls in love faster—women or men? With engaging quizzes and checklists; easy-to-use tips; and new takeaways on compatibility, fighting fair, and relationship ruts, *5 Simple Steps to Take Your Marriage from Good to Great* will give you perfect ways to say "I love you" and show you how to reignite the passion in your relationship. You'll find out why it's okay to go to bed mad and why you don't want to engage in kitchen sinking! The advice in this smart, entertaining book will help you put the excitement back in your marriage in no time, and you'll be amazed at how easy it will be. *5 Simple Steps to Take Your Marriage from Good to Great* is based on the findings of a groundbreaking study directed by Dr. Orbuch, and funded by the National Institutes of Health. The study—of the same 373 married couples—began in 1986 and continues today. Dr. Orbuch is a professor, a renowned therapist, and a nationally recognized relationship expert known as The Love Doctor®.

Marriage for One - Ella Maise 2022-10-27
The only way to secure her dream is to marry a handsome stranger . . . When Rose and Jack meet, she has just lost her uncle, and with him her dream of owning a coffee shop. Rose wanted nothing more than to open a café in her uncle's building. But her uncle's will is clear - the building goes to Rose's husband. Not to her. Then, his lawyer, Jack, offers an unusual solution... she can marry him. She'll get the café and he'll get the building. For some reason, Rose agrees. It might be a marriage of convenience but it's anything but simple. Despite it being his idea, Jack is unbearably surly... But then he does something that shows Rose he might just have a softer side. Maybe love can start with a contract... but will Rose still feel that way when she learns the full terms of their deal?

The All-or-Nothing Marriage - Eli J. Finkel 2017-09-19
"After years of debate and inquiry, the key to a great marriage remained shrouded in mystery. Until now..."—Carol Dweck, author of *Mindset: The New Psychology of Success* Eli J. Finkel's insightful and ground-breaking investigation of marriage clearly shows that the best marriages today are better than the best marriages of earlier eras. Indeed, they are the best marriages the world has ever known. He presents his

findings here for the first time in this lucid, inspiring guide to modern marital bliss. The All-or-Nothing Marriage reverse engineers fulfilling marriages—from the “traditional” to the utterly nontraditional—and shows how any marriage can be better. The primary function of marriage from 1620 to 1850 was food, shelter, and protection from violence; from 1850 to 1965, the purpose revolved around love and companionship. But today, a new kind of marriage has emerged, one oriented toward self-discovery, self-esteem, and personal growth. Finkel combines cutting-edge scientific research with practical advice; he considers paths to better communication and responsiveness; he offers guidance on when to recalibrate our expectations; and he even introduces a set of must-try “lovehacks.” This is a book for the newlywed to the empty nester, for those thinking about getting married or remarried, and for anyone looking for illuminating advice that will make a real difference to getting the most out of marriage today.

The All-or-nothing Marriage - Eli J. Finkel 2017

A psychology professor discusses his recent research into modern marriages and offers practical advice and long-term strategies to pursue self-discovery and personal growth and improve self-esteem along with your spouse so that happiness can thrive in your relationship.

21 Days to a Great Marriage - Henry Cloud
2006-10-01

In a mad-dash world filled with long to-do lists and too many commitments, it's easy for one to lose perspective of what matters most—even with the most important person in one's life. It gets even more complicated with all of the distractions that seem to keep our attention away from sources of help and renewal. That's why Cloud & Townsend have teamed up to pack their very best relationship principles in a powerful 21-day program designed for today's busy couples. Each short chapter has to-the-point wisdom and do-it-today action steps on issues like committing to personal growth, breaking the pattern of trying to change one's spouse, building-and-restoring-trust, cultivating healthy intimacy, establishing realistic expectations, learning to handle conflict without damaging the relationship, and much more.

The Book of Marriage - David Blankenhorn

2001-03

Couples spend an enormous amount of time and energy planning for the perfect wedding. But what about planning for the perfect marriage? In these times of rampant divorce and “relationship” crises, it makes sense to think seriously about the many challenges of married life that loom so large today. The Book of Marriage offers a treasury of marital wisdom from across the ages. Intellectually engaging, morally rich, and ideologically balanced, this anthology gathers some of the deepest, wittiest, and most edifying perspectives on the big questions of married life: Why get married at all? Can love last a lifetime? How do we handle money? Who's the boss? What about children? Conflict? Growing old? Illness and death? There is even a chapter on divorce -- one calculated to save a few marriages. To date there has been no single comprehensive book of source readings on marriage and family life. Assembled with the aid of noted scholars from various fields, this volume treats marriage as more than just a relationship -- as an institution, a vocation, and a source of great spiritual and emotional rewards. Each chapter introduces a different quandary of marriage and then culls the best from ancient and modern writings on the theme. The compendium of cultural wisdom on marriage ranges from the Bible and Eastern wisdom to Aristotle, St. Augustine, Maimonides, and Judith Wallerstein; from Homer, Shakespeare, Milton, and Jane Austen to Edward Albee, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, and Bill Cosby. An important resource for young adults, college students, engaged and married couples, educators, marriage counselors, therapists, pastors, and other family professionals, The Book of Marriage celebrates the diversity and essential humanity of the marital experience in a way that is accessible, entertaining, and eminently useful.

Marriage Be Hard - Kevin Fredericks

2022-09-13

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Discover the keys to upholding your vows while staying sane in this hilariously candid guide to relationships, from the husband-and-wife team of comedian Kevin Fredericks and influencer Melissa Fredericks “Kev and Melissa are not afraid to tell the truth!”—Tabitha Brown, New York Times bestselling author of *Feeding the Soul* Growing

up, Kevin and Melissa Fredericks were taught endless rules around dating, sex, and marriage, but not a lot about what actually makes a relationship work. When they first got married, they felt alone—like every other couple had perfect chemistry while the two of them struggled. There were conversations that they didn't know they needed to have, fears that affected how they related to each other, and seasons of change that put their marriage to the test. Part of their story reads like a Christian fairytale: high school sweethearts, married in college, never sowed any wild oats, with two sons and a thriving marriage. But there's another side of their story: the night Melissa kicked Kevin out of her car after years of communication problems, the time early in their marriage when Kevin bordered on an emotional affair, the way they've used social media and podcasts to conduct a no-holds-barred conversation about forbidden topics like jealousy, divorce, and how to be Christian and sex positive. (Because, as Kevin writes, "Your hormones don't care about your religious beliefs. Your hormones want you to subscribe to OnlyFans.")

In *Marriage Be Hard*, the authors provide a hilarious and fresh master class on what it takes to build and maintain a lasting relationship. Drawing on interviews with experts and nearly two decades of marriage, they argue that

- Compatibility is overrated.
- Communication is about way more than simply talking.
- Seeing divorce as an option can actually help your marriage.
- There's such a thing as healthy jealousy. Real marriage is not automatic. It ain't no Tesla on the open road. Sometimes it's a stick shift on a hill in the rain with no windshield wipers. But if you get comfortable visiting—and revisiting—the topics that matter, it can transform your bond with your partner and the life you're building together. Written for those tired of unrealistic relationship books—and for anyone wondering if they're the only ones breaking all the rules—*Marriage Be Hard* is a breath of fresh air and the manual you wish existed after you said "I do."

[The Hidden Brain](#) - Shankar Vedantam
2010-01-19

The hidden brain is the voice in our ear when we make the most important decisions in our

lives—but we're never aware of it. The hidden brain decides whom we fall in love with and whom we hate. It tells us to vote for the white candidate and convict the dark-skinned defendant, to hire the thin woman but pay her less than the man doing the same job. It can direct us to safety when disaster strikes and move us to extraordinary acts of altruism. But it can also be manipulated to turn an ordinary person into a suicide terrorist or a group of bystanders into a mob. In a series of compulsively readable narratives, Shankar Vedantam journeys through the latest discoveries in neuroscience, psychology, and behavioral science to uncover the darkest corner of our minds and its decisive impact on the choices we make as individuals and as a society. Filled with fascinating characters, dramatic storytelling, and cutting-edge science, this is an engrossing exploration of the secrets our brains keep from us—and how they are revealed.

[The Marriage Book](#) - Nicky Lee 2018-05-03

How can we be happily married to one person for the whole of our lives? How do we resolve conflict? How can we discover and rediscover sexual intimacy? Nicky and Sila Lee have been married for over 40 years, and this book distils all the wisdom and advice they have gleaned from their own experience, and the experience of others they have counselled. Based on the solid foundations of the Christian faith, Nicky and Sila demonstrate the value, importance and potential of any marriage. They suggest how we can not only stay married, but also make the most of our married lives together, covering topics such as:

- Effective communication
- Parents and in-laws
- Conflict and forgiveness
- Sex and expressions of love

The Marriage Book provides practical advice for any married or engaged couple who want to build a strong and lasting marriage, while also offering insights for single people who are interested in getting married in the future.

The Perfect Marriage - Jeneva Rose
2020-07-13

One million sold: "A tantalizing premise . . . twists at every turn . . . [A] masterful debut about betrayal and justice" by a New York Times bestselling author (Samantha M. Bailey, #1 national bestselling author of *Watch Out for Her*). Optioned by Picture Perfect Federation for

development as a film or TV series Sarah Morgan is a successful and powerful defense attorney in Washington D.C. As a named partner at her firm, life is going exactly how she planned. The same cannot be said for her husband, Adam. He's a struggling writer who has had little success in his career and he tires of his and Sarah's relationship as she is constantly working. Out in the secluded woods, at the couple's lake house, Adam engages in a passionate affair with Kelly Summers. But one morning everything changes. Kelly is found brutally stabbed to death and now, Sarah must take on her hardest case yet, defending her own husband, a man accused of murdering his mistress. The Perfect Marriage is a juicy, twisty, and utterly addictive thriller that will keep you turning pages. You won't see the ending coming . . . guaranteed! "Everything I want in a thriller. Sexy, shocking, and tense with an ending I never saw coming. Jeneva Rose is the queen of twists." —Colleen Hoover, #1 New York

Times–bestselling author on *You Shouldn't Have Come Here* "A twisty, compulsive book that will keep you reading all night! Fast-paced with crisp writing and an intriguing plot. Jeneva Rose is one to watch." —Samantha Downing, #1 international bestselling author of *My Lovely Wife* "A book to be read in one gulp—this dastardly debut flies to a shocking reveal. I couldn't put it down; I had to see what happened. Twists galore." —J.T. Ellison, New York Times–bestselling author of *Her Dark Lies*
[The Rules\(TM\) for Marriage](#) - Ellen Fein
2007-11-01

You did the Rules-And They Worked! You captured the heart of your Mr. Right and are, at the very least, engaged. Maybe you're married ... or perhaps you and your partner got together without the help of The Rules. Now You're Looking for Ways to Keep Your Relationship Happy and Healthy. The Rules For Marriage is Here! In this book, the authors of The Rules offer forty-two time-tested tips for keeping your marriage healthy and happy. Some will sound familiar, others are completely new. But they all lead to the same wonderful future—the one in which you and your husband stay together forever! Discover: Rule #4: Keep up your own interests (have a life!) Rule #15: Say what you mean, but don't say it mean Rule #21: Don't

force him to "talk" Rule #35: Don't find fault with things you knew about when you married him Whatever your marital problems, The Rules for Marriage can help.

The Marriage Bargain - Jennifer Probst
2012-09-04

In order to serve their own selfish needs, struggling bookstore owner Alexa and billionaire Nicholas decide to be in a loveless marriage for only a year, but things get complicated when love grows between them.

Our Perfect Marriage - Alan Linic 2016-10-04
Work through your marriage problems, or at least laugh about them, with this tongue-in-cheek workbook created by a pair of newly married Twitter comedians. Think you know your spouse? Then try naming your loved one's...
- Favorite candy - Most annoying habit - Worst dinner party story - Indefensible political views - Opinion about James Cameron's 1997 blockbuster *Titanic* Couldn't do it? How embarrassing for you Fortunately, *Our Perfect Marriage* can help. Part keepsake, part guided journal, part permanent record, this unique diary will capture every magical and mundane moment of your matrimony. From poignant fill-in-the-blank prompts (*The First Time You Messed Up*) to soul-searching scrapbooking exercises (*The Story of Us as Told by Receipts*), it's a must for any lucky couple teetering on the threshold of married bliss.

Minimizing Marriage - Elizabeth Brake
2012-03-15

This book addresses fundamental questions about marriage in moral and political philosophy. It examines promise, commitment, care, and contract to argue that marriage is not morally transformative. It argues that marriage discriminates against other forms of caring relationships and that, legally, restrictions on entry should be minimized.

The Proper Care and Feeding of Husbands - Dr. Laura Schlessinger 2009-03-17

The national best-seller in which Dr. Laura Schlessinger—America's top radio talk show host—gives advice on how women can make their marriage thrive after the wedding bliss subsides. In her most provocative book yet, Dr. Laura urgently reminds women that to take proper care of their husbands is to ensure themselves the happiness and satisfaction they

deserve in marriage. Women want to be in love, get married and live happily ever after, yet countless women call Dr. Laura, unhappy in their marriages and seemingly at a loss to understand the incredible power they have over their men to create the kind of home life they yearn for. Dr. Laura shows real-life examples and real-life solutions on how to wield that power to attain all the sexual pleasure, intimacy, love, joy, and peace desired in life. Dr. Laura's simple principles have changed the lives of millions!

[The Good Marriage: How and Why Love Lasts](#) - Judith Wallerstein 2019-08-09

When it first appeared in 1995, *The Good Marriage* became a best-seller. It offers timeless clues to the secret of happy, long-lasting marriages. Based on a groundbreaking study of fifty couples who consider themselves happily married, psychologist Judith Wallerstein presents the four basic types of marriage — romantic, rescue, companionate, and traditional — and identifies nine developmental tasks that must be successfully undertaken in a “good marriage” — separation from the family of origin, up-and-down vicissitudes of early years, children, balance of work and home, dealing with infidelities, and more. The men and women Wallerstein interviewed readily admit that even the best relationship requires hard work and continuing negotiation, especially in the midst of societal pressures that can tear marriages apart. But they also convey an inspirational message, for almost all of them feel that their marriage is their single greatest accomplishment. *The Good Marriage* explains why, and its lively mix of storytelling and analysis will challenge every couple to think in a profoundly different way about the most important relationship in their lives. “Should be required reading for all who are interested in marriage.” — W. Walter Menninger “Should prove a lifesaver for many couples.” — Publishers Weekly “Will enrich the sparse literature on happy marriages.” — USA Today “One of the nice things about *The Good Marriage* is its modesty. It doesn't pretend to offer a philosophy or even a lecture on marriage. It takes no position on the ideologically charged issues of women's marital roles and status. Equally important, it ignores the two most common ways of talking about marriage — as a

contract negotiated between two equal parties and as the pathway to individual fulfillment. For this reason it is refreshingly free of ‘rights’ talk and therapy talk. Indeed, Wallerstein places much more emphasis on the development of good judgment and a moral sense than on the acquisition of effective communication or negotiation skills.” — Barbara Dafoe Whitehead, *The Atlantic* “A lagniappe to enduring couplehood... The strength of this study is that Ms. Wallerstein, a gifted interviewer, persuades the couples to reveal their interior lives in rich, explicit detail.” — Susan Jacoby, *The New York Times Book Review* “Written in a masterful style that often reads like the best popular fiction... Wallerstein and Blakeslee again combine their substantial talents... deftly and entertainingly exploring the foundations of good marriages.” — Tara Aronson, *San Francisco Examiner & Chronicle* “Groundbreaking.” — *Boston Globe* “This is a wonderfully readable and immensely valuable book, full of wise and original insights about the many, many roads to marital happiness.” — Judith Viorst “With wisdom, humor, and sympathetic understanding, Judith Wallerstein helps us recognize and rediscover the good marriage... lucid, psychologically sophisticated, and generously wise.” — David Blankenhorn, *Newsday* “Historically informative as well as profoundly wise psychologically.” — Joan M. Erikson “For a long time, as a Rabbi, I've been using *The Good Marriage*, by the late Judith Wallerstein... in my pre-marital counseling. She provides... amazingly helpful insights [which] open up conversations and lead couples to think much more deeply about what they are getting themselves into — and what they might need to do to keep their marriages strong.” — Rabbi Carl M. Perkins “A welcome addition to the field of literature on contemporary marriage... The style [is] clear, concise, sensitive and, occasionally, personal. Her personal additions... add warmth, emotional consciousness, and greater insight into what makes individuals and couples happy in their relationships. This book has value for the many audiences interested in relational theory that want to approach relationships from a realistic and positive perspective.” — Nancy Williford, *Clinical Social Work Journal* “In *The Good Marriage*, Wallerstein's new study of 50 married

couples offers affirmation that the process of marriage itself presents a vehicle for transformation... A best-selling author, Wallerstein employs a thoughtful, nonaggressive style that appeals to the general public. Wallerstein has performed an invaluable service in *The Good Marriage*." — Elizabeth M. Tully, M.D., *Journal of Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry* "Solid... impressive... Those interested in social policy should be pleased that so well-respected a liberal academic as Ms. Wallerstein has written a book that celebrates marriage and points the way toward restructuring it." — *Wall Street Journal* "With extraordinary skill and compassion Wallerstein and Blakeslee take us inside the lives of fifty American couples and find that a good marriage still provides the best framework for enduring love and intimacy." — Sylvia Ann Hewlett "A very appealing book... clearly written and clearly thought out." — *Library Journal* "Wallerstein's major contribution is not about how and why love lasts, but about how and why love develops. It is in such a context, less idyllic, but more realistic, that the book will prove to be a lasting contribution." — *Readings: A Journal of Reviews and Commentary in Mental Health*

Time for a Better Marriage - Jon Carlson 2002
The return of a classic! A systematic, practical model for building marriage skills, newly revised and updated. Invaluable tools to help make marriages more rewarding, effective, and satisfying by showing couples how to encourage each other, resolve conflict, communicate effectively, maintain equality in the relationship, and make better choices.

Marriage Ain't for Punks - Calvin Roberson
2021-09-07

Marriage is a bond that requires hard work from two people in order to achieve happiness—find all the tips and tools to a happily-ever-after, using the guidance of a trusted relationship expert. Beloved marriage counselor Pastor Cal Roberson captivates millions of viewers with his eccentric personality and unabashed yet effective marriage advice—and *Marriage Ain't for Punks* is no different. This book is a relationship game changer. It's a straightforward and unapologetic dive into why people fail or struggle at one of the most popular and sought-after unions in society. Even though

some marriages look like a hot mess, don't give up hope, because it is transparency, honesty, and downright fearlessness that make a great marriage. A good relationship is about refusing to allow pettiness to destroy the loving connection that partners truly seek to find with each other. Those with healthy marriages are not weaklings. They are not quitters. They know that *Marriage Ain't for Punks*!

[The Marriage Book](#) - Lisa Grunwald 2015-05-12
The definitive anthology of wisdom and wit about one of life's most complex, intriguing, and personal subjects. When and whom do you marry? How do you keep a spouse content? Do all engaged couples get cold feet? How cold is so cold that you should pivot and flee? Where and how do children fit in? Is infidelity always wrong? In this volume, you won't find a single answer to your questions about marriage; you will find hundreds. Spanning centuries and cultures, sources and genres, *The Marriage Book* offers entries from ancient history and modern politics, poetry and pamphlets, plays and songs, newspaper ads and postcards. It is an A to Z compendium, exploring topics from Adam and Eve to Anniversaries, Fidelity to Freedom, Separations to Sex. In this volume, you'll hear from novelists, clergymen, sex experts, and presidents, with guest appearances by the likes of Liz and Dick, Ralph and Alice, Louis CK, and Neil Patrick Harris. Casanova calls marriage the tomb of love, and Stephen King calls it his greatest accomplishment. With humor, perspective, breadth, and warmth, *The Marriage Book* is sure to become a classic.

Spinster - Kate Bolick 2015-04-21

A *New York Times* Book Review Notable Book "Whom to marry, and when will it happen—these two questions define every woman's existence." So begins *Spinster*, a revelatory and slyly erudite look at the pleasures and possibilities of remaining single. Using her own experiences as a starting point, journalist and cultural critic Kate Bolick invites us into her carefully considered, passionately lived life, weaving together the past and present to examine why she—along with over 100 million American women, whose ranks keep growing—remains unmarried. This unprecedented demographic shift, Bolick explains, is the logical outcome of hundreds of years of change that has neither

been fully understood, nor appreciated. Spinster introduces a cast of pioneering women from the last century whose genius, tenacity, and flair for drama have emboldened Bolick to fashion her life on her own terms: columnist Neith Boyce, essayist Maeve Brennan, social visionary Charlotte Perkins Gilman, poet Edna St. Vincent Millay, and novelist Edith Wharton. By animating their unconventional ideas and choices, Bolick shows us that contemporary debates about settling down, and having it all, are timeless—the crucible upon which all thoughtful women have tried for centuries to forge a good life. Intellectually substantial and deeply personal, Spinster is both an unreservedly inquisitive memoir and a broader cultural exploration that asks us to acknowledge the opportunities within ourselves to live authentically. Bolick offers us a way back into our own lives—a chance to see those splendid years when we were young and unencumbered, or middle-aged and finally left to our own devices, for what they really are: unbounded and our own to savor.

[This is How Your Marriage Ends](#) - Matthew Fray
2022-03-31

'The man who coaches husbands on how to avoid divorce' The New York Times 'One husband's confession you might be tempted to hand to your other half next time he does something infuriating' Daily Mail 'Could genuinely help save a few rocky marriages' Literary Review One night during his divorce, after one too many vodkas and a phone-in-therapist's advice to 'journal his feelings,' Matthew Fray started a blog. As he tried to piece together how his ex-wife went from adoring to angry he realised that even though he was a decent guy, he was kind of a bad husband. From the raw, uncomfortable and darkly humorous stories he shared about the lessons he's learned from his failed marriage comes this strangely hopeful guide to saving relationships. This is How Your Marriage Ends offers immediately actionable advice to help readers identify toxic behaviour patterns in their own lives, and break them out of the cycles of dysfunction that ruin relationships. This is a must-read for people in any stage of a relationship, whether it's near the beginning or nearing the end. Good people can be bad partners - here's how to ensure that isn't you.

The B.E.S.T. Marriage - Anthony Delaney
2021-04-06

If you're imperfect... and your spouse is imperfect... then is a healthy, vibrant marriage possible? As any couple can attest, maintaining a marriage is always easier said than done. But no matter where you and your spouse have been—and no matter where you need to be—there are practical steps you can take to take your marriage from better to B.E.S.T. *The B.E.S.T. Marriage* is a lively, humorous guide to making a marriage work. Whether you're considering marriage (or remarriage), you're happily married, or you're currently struggling in a relationship, discover how your life and love can improve with Blessing, Encouraging, Sharing, and Touching. Marriage isn't easy—but it doesn't have to be impossible. Get hard-hitting advice and enjoy the journey toward developing the marriage you want.

The All-or-Nothing Marriage - Eli J. Finkel
2019-01-08

"After years of debate and inquiry, the key to a great marriage remained shrouded in mystery. Until now..."—Carol Dweck, author of *Mindset: The New Psychology of Success* Eli J. Finkel's insightful and ground-breaking investigation of marriage clearly shows that the best marriages today are better than the best marriages of earlier eras. Indeed, they are the best marriages the world has ever known. He presents his findings here for the first time in this lucid, inspiring guide to modern marital bliss. *The All-or-Nothing Marriage* reverse engineers fulfilling marriages—from the "traditional" to the utterly nontraditional—and shows how any marriage can be better. The primary function of marriage from 1620 to 1850 was food, shelter, and protection from violence; from 1850 to 1965, the purpose revolved around love and companionship. But today, a new kind of marriage has emerged, one oriented toward self-discovery, self-esteem, and personal growth. Finkel combines cutting-edge scientific research with practical advice; he considers paths to better communication and responsiveness; he offers guidance on when to recalibrate our expectations; and he even introduces a set of must-try "lovehacks." This is a book for the newlywed to the empty nester, for those thinking about getting married or remarried, and for

anyone looking for illuminating advice that will make a real difference to getting the most out of marriage today.

Loving Bravely (Dyslexic Edition) - Alexandra H. Solomon 2017

In order to attract a life partner, we must first become a good partner to ourselves. This book offers twenty invaluable lessons that will help readers explore and commit to their own emotional and psychological well-being so they'll be ready, resilient, confident, and completely whole when they encounter that special someone.

[This Is the Story of a Happy Marriage](#) - Ann Patchett 2013-11-07

This Is the Story of a Happy Marriage is an irresistible blend of literature and memoir revealing the big experiences and little moments that shaped Ann Patchett as a daughter, wife, friend and writer. Here, Ann Patchett shares entertaining and moving stories about her tumultuous childhood, her painful early divorce, the excitement of selling her first book, driving a Winnebago from Montana to Yellowstone Park, her joyous discovery of opera, scaling a six-foot wall in order to join the Los Angeles Police Department, the gradual loss of her beloved grandmother, starting her own bookshop in Nashville, her love for her very special dog and, of course, her eventual happy marriage. This Is the Story of a Happy Marriage is a memoir both wide ranging and deeply personal, overflowing with close observation and emotional wisdom, told with wit, honesty and irresistible warmth.

The 4 Seasons of Marriage - Gary Chapman 2012

Compares the transitional cycles of marriage to those of nature, describes the attitudes and emotions of each season, and offers seven strategies that enable couples to enhance and improve their marital relationship.

[Fighting for Your Marriage](#) - Howard J. Markman 1996-03-27

Conflict in intimate relationships is as normal and essential as love. How you fight and resolve conflicts determines the difference between a sustained healthy and satisfying marriage or endless pain, frustration, and often divorce. At a time when families are falling apart at alarming rates and with enormous social cost, this book provides a research-based program to prevent

relationship breakdown. The new audiotape set provides the key to the communication skills of PREPTM.

The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work - John Gottman, PhD 2015-05-05

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • Over a million copies sold! “An eminently practical guide to an emotionally intelligent—and long-lasting—marriage.”—Daniel Goleman, author of Emotional Intelligence The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work has revolutionized the way we understand, repair, and strengthen marriages. John Gottman’s unprecedented study of couples over a period of years has allowed him to observe the habits that can make—and break—a marriage. Here is the culmination of that work: the seven principles that guide couples on a path toward a harmonious and long-lasting relationship. Straightforward yet profound, these principles teach partners new approaches for resolving conflicts, creating new common ground, and achieving greater levels of intimacy. Gottman offers strategies and resources to help couples collaborate more effectively to resolve any problem, whether dealing with issues related to sex, money, religion, work, family, or anything else. Packed with new exercises and the latest research out of the esteemed Gottman Institute, this revised edition of *The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work* is the definitive guide for anyone who wants their relationship to attain its highest potential.

The Argument-Free Marriage - Fawn Weaver 2015-08-04

Is an argument-free marriage possible? Fawn Weaver’s answer is yes, absolutely, even when one or both partners are strong willed, independent, and opinionated. (She admits to being all three.) In this groundbreaking book, the best-selling author and award-winning marriage blogger asks readers to invest twenty-eight days in learning how to live together without bickering, blame, angry outbursts, or silent treatments. Fawn begins with the startling premise that, contrary to popular opinion, conflict in marriage is not necessary or inevitable. Then she leads readers on a day-by-day journey toward a more peaceful and supportive relationship. Chapter by brief chapter, she offers fresh perspectives and

practical strategies for communicating effectively, building understanding, and defusing anger while at the same time nurturing honesty, vulnerability, and mutual support.

Take Back Your Marriage - William Joseph Doherty 2013-07-24

All couples walk to the altar dreaming of happily-ever-after, but many forces in our society work against healthy lifelong commitment. Renowned family therapist William J. Doherty reveals how cracks can develop in even a rock-solid marriage, and what steps you can take to keep your love strong. Learn ways to break free of common traps like confusing

desires with needs, comparing your spouse to your fantasies of other relationships, or becoming overtime parents instead of full-time partners. You'll get suggestions for creating relationship rituals--from mundane to celebratory, sexy to silly--that build closeness and connection every day. The updated second edition incorporates Dr. Doherty's ongoing experience counseling couples, plus the latest information on marriage and health, how divorce affects kids, the impact of new technologies on family life, and more. Winner--Best Self-Help Book, ForeWord Magazine's Book of the Year Awards