

# Remarriage Wisdom Scale

A tool to help divorced people wisely process the subject of second marriage

Wise								Stupid	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Stay single	Take a few years to heal and grow			Start dating soon after your divorce				Get intimately involved with someone before you divorce, and then marry them as soon as you're legally single	
Build a new life as a single adult	Deal with unresolved spiritual issues in your life (e.g., forgiveness)			Ignore unresolved spiritual issues until some later date					
Make your walk with God your primary life objective	Learn obedience to God			Wink at God, but don't take Him too seriously				Go "spouse hunting" often, especially in bars and on the internet	
Become deeply involved in your family, career, and life of ministry	Become expert in <u>your</u> responsibility for your first marriage's failure			Blame your ex for most of your marital problems ~ you just married the wrong person ~ and <i>play the victim</i>				Put your life on hold until you're married again	
Focus on serving others	Build a strong same-sex-buddy network			Build your life around opposite sex relationships; they're the most fun anyway				Dress for the "catch" ~ after all, they say it pays to advertise ~ let 'em know you're looking	
Surround yourself with caring friends	Build a strong social network			To heck with building a social network ~ all you need is dating				To heck with caution, have a good time and hope to "fall in love"	
Give of your self and your resources	Build strong your faith in Christ			Fake your faith to look however "spiritual" you need to				Religion's a waste of time	
Give your sexuality to God, for His safekeeping	Re-enter the dating stream s-l-o-w-l-y			Jump into dating with both feet ~ you've gotta make up for lost time				Be impulsive and reckless ~ you can make up for problems later	
Develop an active prayer life, to learn more about God's plan for your life	Treat sex as God instructs in scripture			Sex is OK after you get to know each other a little				God didn't give us sex so we'd put it on the shelf.... Have fun!	
Trust God's leading in your life	Carefully think through what you need in a spouse, and what you bring to the table			Assume that whoever comes along must be the right pick for you, especially if they "turn you on"				Consider everyone of the opposite sex, "fair game" at all times	
Follow God to the best of your ability	Pray earnestly about anyone you begin to care for ~ ask for God's clear leading			Prayer's basically a waste of time ~ maybe a nice thing to do before meals now and then				Totally trust your emotions, especially if he/she is cute/pretty	
	Don't marry anyone you haven't known for at least a year			If it feels right for the first three weeks, it must be right				Stay far away from commitment ~ always keep your options open	
	Get to know the other person's social group			Who cares about their social group...!?				Be sure to have sex before you marry anyone, to "test them in bed"	
	Ask lots of questions re: their first marriage			Stay far away from first marriage questions				Cohabiting is a good thing for a "trial run" before marriage	
	Meet the ex-spouse and ask their perspectives			Meet the ex? You gotta be kidding!!				"Dis" the ex-spouse ~ they all lie anyway	