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“Courtship Codes for Singles” is a timely and instructive message that speaks directly to the foundation of one of life’s most delicate and destiny-shaping decisions—marriage.

In a generation where relationships are often rushed, misunderstood, or built on emotional impulse rather than spiritual conviction, this teaching brings clarity, balance, and divine order. It restores courtship to its rightful place as a season of preparation, alignment, and godly discernment.

Pastor (Mrs) Faith Oyedepo delivers this message with spiritual authority and practical wisdom, drawing from Scripture, real-life experiences, and godly examples that illuminate the path for singles preparing for marriage. Her emphasis on focus, understanding, and uncompromising Christian standards provides a clear blueprint for those desiring a marriage that is not only successful, but rooted in God.

This work is not merely instructional—it is corrective, protective, and foundational. It calls singles back to wisdom, back to order, and back to the centrality of Christ in relationships.

As you read, may your heart be enlightened, your convictions strengthened, and your steps ordered into God’s perfect will for your marital journey.

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PREFACE

Courtship is one of the most decisive seasons in the journey of marriage. It is not a time for casual involvement, but a foundational stage where direction, values, and spiritual alignment are established. In this message, the preacher lays out divine wisdom for singles preparing for marriage, emphasising spiritual focus, understanding, and godly standards.

THE FOUNDATION OF A GODLY COURTSHIP

Our topic today is *Courtship Codes for Singles*.

A good marriage begins from a good courtship where intentions of marriage are made clear to both parties involved.

Courtship is not alien to Bible-based principles, as men and women were betrothed to each other with the knowledge of their parents, church, and family. For instance, Mary was betrothed to Joseph before the birth of Jesus (Luke 1:27). Jacob also served Laban for Rachel for fourteen years (Genesis 29:18–30).

In culture, intended couples get to know each other and plan adequately for the kind of marriage they desire in future. Courtship is a period of great importance and a necessary part of every successful marriage. It is part of the foundation-laying period of marriage, and a house is only as strong as its foundation.

It prepares you for the lifelong experience which marriage is intended to be. Sometimes, the challenges people encounter in marriage could have been avoided during courtship if care had been taken. Marriage failure in many cases is a result of courtship failure.

Your marriage shall not fail in Jesus' name.

UNDERSTANDING THE PURPOSE OF COURTSHIP

Courtship is not just for eating, drinking, outings, visiting places, taking pictures, and enjoyment. It should not be handled lightly.

You should focus on knowing your intended partner adequately so you can make a well-informed decision that will enhance your glorious future.

The quality of your marital relationship in future depends largely on the investment you put into it during courtship.

What is courtship? It is a period when there is an established relationship between two persons of opposite sex intended to lead to marriage. It usually precedes engagement and marriage.

It is a time to determine whether both individuals agree in beliefs, values, Christian faith, and life direction. It is a time to prove all things about your intended spouse.

THE QUESTION OF DURATION

One of the most asked questions is: *How long should courtship last?*

There is no hard and fast rule. It is not about how long, but how well the period is handled.

For example, Pastor E.A. Adeboye courted his wife for two years and they have enjoyed a glorious marriage for over 45 years and still counting. My husband and I had a courtship of six solid years, which gave me great understanding of his person, his calling, and life assignment.

Billy Graham also courted his wife Ruth for about three years, and so on.

Since marriage is a lifelong journey, wisdom demands that you know each other well before committing.

However, I often advise a period of about nine months. This is not a law, but a guide. The gestational period of a child is nine months, and in scripture, timing is often significant in the fulfilment of promises.

Ultimately, your peace and divine leading matter most.

COURTSHIP IS A DESTINATION DECISION

Courtship can be seen as “caught and ship”—a vessel that carries you to your destination. You do not enter a ship without knowing where it is going.

So if your relationship is not heading toward a godly destination, wisdom demands that you disembark.

Courtship should be a time to learn, adjust, and decide whether the relationship should proceed into marriage.

A broken courtship is better than a broken marriage.

COURTSHIP CODES FOR SINGLES

CODE 1: F — FOCUS

Focus on your relationship with God. Do not allow courtship to replace your relationship with Christ.

Be with someone who is willing to seek Christ with you, not replace Him in your life.

Look out for a partner who demonstrates faith in God, shows respect, and makes you feel safe.

Build spiritual intimacy: pray together, study the Word together, attend fellowship, and serve God together.

A relationship not built on God will not last.

When God holds both of you together, nothing can separate you.

CODE 2: U — UNDERSTANDING

“Give me understanding, and I shall live” (Psalm 119:144).

Anything outstanding requires understanding. Good communication is the key.

Spend quality time together. Ask questions. Learn each other’s beliefs, values, strengths, and weaknesses.

Talk about everything. If communication is difficult before marriage, it rarely improves after.

Build friendship, trust, and honesty.

Character is like pregnancy—it cannot be hidden for long.

Do not engage in multiple courtships at once; it is ungodly and dangerous to destiny.

Observe how your partner behaves in different situations.

Meet families, build relationships with them, and seek godly counsel.

CODE 3: C — COMPROMISE (DO NOT COMPROMISE)

Do not compromise your Christian standards.

“Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers” (2 Corinthians 6:14).

Do not lower your faith for acceptance.

Protect purity. Avoid inappropriate dressing and behaviour that stirs wrong desires.

Avoid secrecy. Be accountable. Meet in public places. Involve mentors, pastors, or parents.

Limit physical intimacy. Avoid anything that leads to sexual sin.

Sex is sacred and belongs only within marriage.

A relationship built on emotional or physical compromise may lead to a painful marriage.

If you have fallen into sin, make a U-turn and return to God.

FINAL EXHORTATION

Courtship is a commitment, not a game. When you hold someone's hand in courtship, you are holding their heart.

Do not rush into marriage. Take time. Seek peace. Listen to the voice of God.

If there is no peace, reconsider.

May God guide every single looking for direction. May He establish every courtship that is according to His will, in Jesus' name.

SALVATION PRAYER

If you are not born again, pray this from your heart:

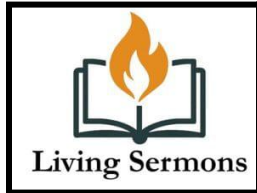
“O God, today I confess my sins and accept Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour. From this day forward, I am born again, in Jesus' name. Amen.”

CLOSING

If you prayed this prayer, congratulations. Connect with godly fellowship, grow in faith, and follow Christ daily.

God is too faithful to fail.

See you next time.



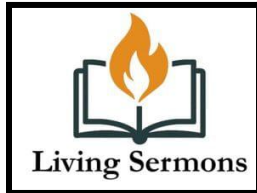
About the Speaker

Pastor (Mrs.) Faith Oyedepo is a Nigerian Christian author, teacher, and preacher widely known for her consistent ministry alongside her husband, David Oyedepo, the founder of Living Faith Church Worldwide (Winners' Chapel).

She has served for decades in the Christian ministry, with a strong emphasis on marriage, family life, womanhood, and godly character. Her teachings are marked by simplicity, practical wisdom, and a focus on building stable Christian homes rooted in scriptural principles.

Beyond her public teaching role, she is also recognized for her consistent support in church leadership development and humanitarian efforts connected to the ministry she co-labors in. Over the years, her voice has remained steady in reinforcing values of faith, order, and responsibility in Christian family structures.

Her contribution to contemporary Nigerian Christianity is largely seen through the lens of discipleship in the home, where she continues to influence both younger and older generations of believers through teaching, example, and structured mentorship within the church community.



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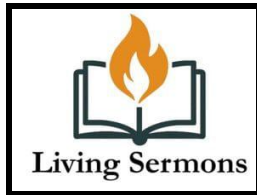
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