



**finding
LOVE**

Popular relational myths

1. "I only need Jesus"
2. "My soul mate!"
3. "Consumerist Gamble"
4. "The Cupid deception"
5. "God will send her my way"
6. "All you need is love"



“I only need Jesus!”

God said Adam needs more

Genesis 1:31; 2:18

Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. God created everything and Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him."

Illustration | Procreation



“My soul mate!”

“Love is the desire of the whole.”



“The Consumerist Gamble”

“There might be a better one just around the corner”



“The Cupid Deception”

“I must follow my heart!”



“God will send her my way”

Proverbs 18:22 He who finds a wife...



“All you need is love!”

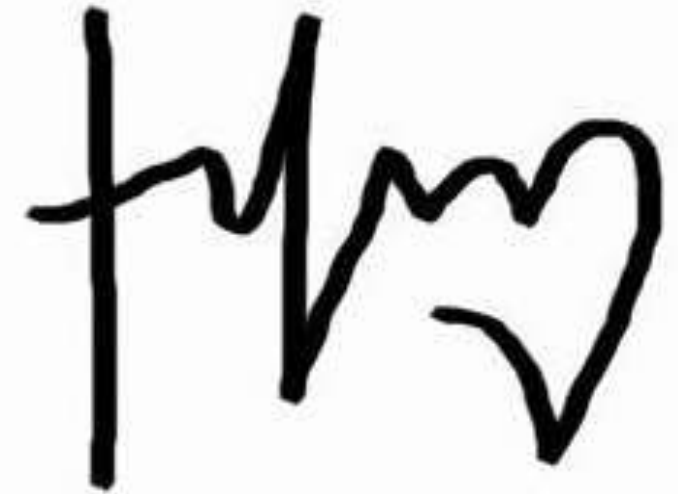
“Love is not enough”

1 Corinthians 13:7

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

3D Relationships [Fred May 2002]

- **Faith** = character, core values.
- **Hope** = common vision or direction.
- **Love** = bond of perfection.



FAITH - HOPE - LOVE

Marriage: a covenant of companionship

"I promise to never make you feel alone again"

Malachi 2:14-16

...But you say, "Why does He not [hear our prayers]?" Because the LORD was witness between you and the wife of your youth, to whom you have been faithless, though she is your companion and your wife by covenant. Did he not make them one, with a portion of the Spirit in their union? And what was the one God seeking? Godly offspring. So guard yourselves in your spirit, and let none of you be faithless to the wife of your youth.

The benefits of marriage

"I promise to never make you feel alone again"

Proverbs 18:22

He who **finds** a wife finds a good thing and obtains **favour** from the LORD.

- longevity | physical, emotional, mental health
- income and wealth | safety and security | benefits

