

How is the best way to meet someone and grow old together?

Other than your decision to become a Christian and work for the Lord, finding someone to date; then when the timing is right spend a lifetime with...For some of us, this can be a challenge. (Then on the other hand) When you least expecting it, God could truly surprise both of you. Say, what type of person do you want to meet? There are both some good places and some definite places to avoid. Your best places might be in Sunday school or a Christian singles event compared to bars, nightclubs, etc. Some people go to social and spiritual activities with an agenda...Instead of this, let God be in control. This morning a simple honest prayer was offered up to God, the words go straight to the point. "Help our heart to see others that are in need and to help us recognize, plus teach them about You."

These remaining words are about Peter & Sue and what occurred one hot Saturday afternoon.

Picture if you would, a man all dressed up and sitting on his truck tailgate. When you notice him on a country road, his head is down bowed in prayer. That particular day, Peter was struggling to make it to his wedding and already late. *Life is very difficult and sometimes our Christianity is to put others above self.* Peter looked asleep then hearing footsteps opened his eyes and said, "Thank You!" This was to be one of the best days in his life, can you see the tears in his eyes?

During the next 2 hours, Peter sat in the passenger seat talking of Sue and perfection. He could see her holiness, grace, love, and how they would find happiness together. And if God blessed them children, they would treasure every precious moment. Everything was all memorized in his head, the smiles and the joyful moments. (From when they noticed each other to that day, they had good and trying times.) Before driving into town, I asked Peter if he would like to say another prayer of thanks? At times, the emotions were so strong I almost couldn't concentrate to drive. Then, Peter knowing full well that I was dressed in shorts and a cotton t-shirt he asked God to help his family and friends to understand and forgive my appearance. Before closing the prayer, once more with thanks, he invited me to attend his wedding. Who was I to turn down such a request...It was truly from the bottom of his heart. Peter mentioned, "He would never forget today and that I was now a part of his life forever."

After the prayer, a positive response was given to Peter accepting his invitation. Then, I needed to explain to him about currently being unable to see fine details at distances without glasses or not having had lasik eye surgery. Peter replied, "You sit right on the front pew because I want you to see my Sue." Realizing that attending the wedding would be ok; however, not really dressed for the occasion and needing to get home, we agreed to say our goodbyes before arriving. After this, I walked into the front entrance and got stopped by an usher. He stated, "Where do you think you're going?" My reply was, "Peter invited me and by now he is probably going into the side entrance." So, the usher reluctantly let me go in. While walking up to the front without a doubt, I felt out of place...that is not dressed in at least a suit, shirt, and tie. Then when the singing started, all eyes shifted to the back and the entrance of the bride's maids.

Everything said during the drive was real...I could see every word mentioned about his future wife was the truth. The ceremony was simple yet elegant uniting both Peter & Sue within God's almighty authority. And afterwards, I quietly slipped out the side door and headed back home. Weeks later, there was a letter received in the mail. Peter stated when hearing rumors about me, he shouted out, "I have an announcement!" Even though there was no need, he defended my name. And his brother followed Peter's words with a prayer of forgiveness and gave thanks for the entire wedding day.

If you're reading this and just now starting to date or a wedding day is on the horizon for you? Have patience, plus don't let anything keep you from doing what in your heart is right and may the 2 of you grow old together.