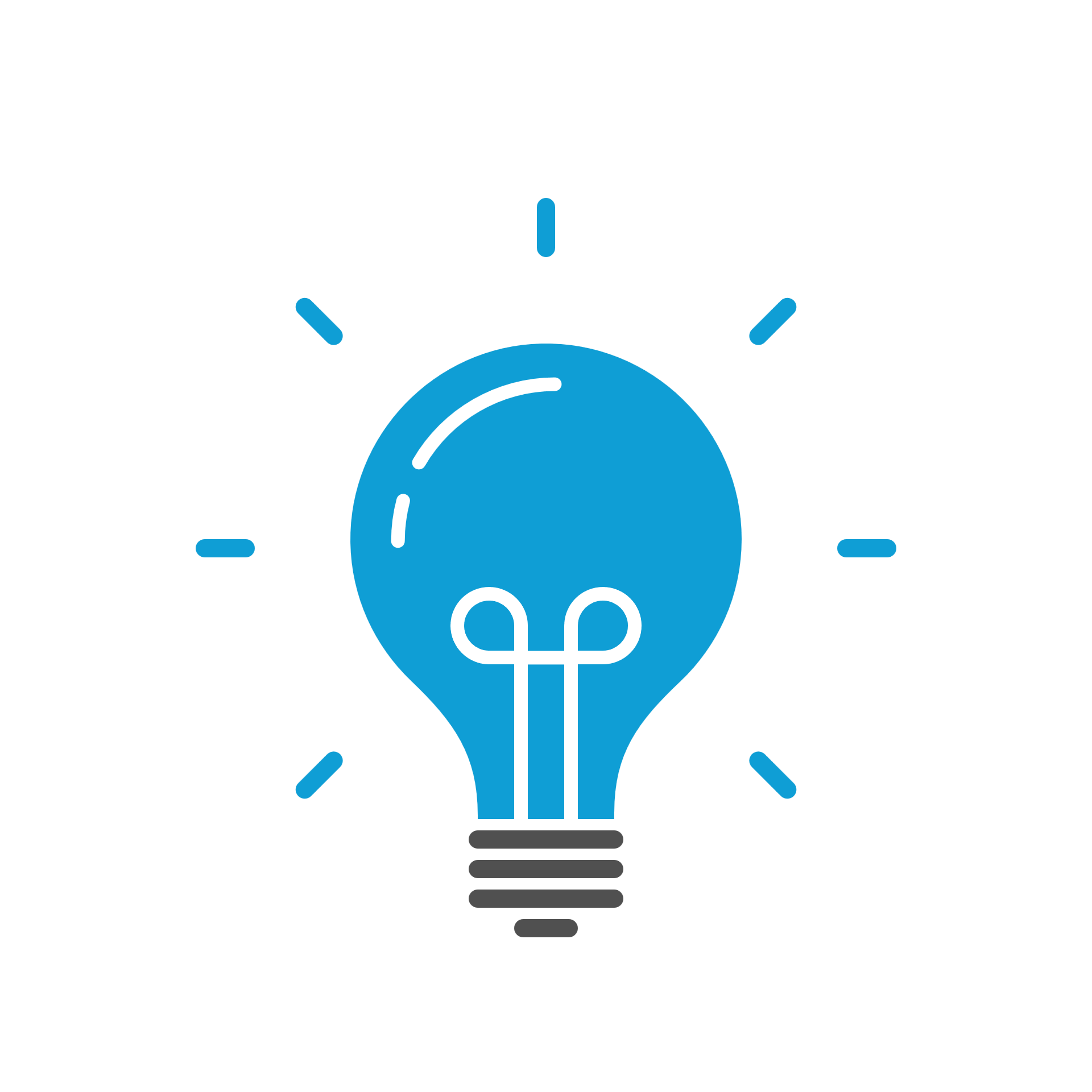
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**A Simple Guide to Online Dating for Kingdom Daughters**

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* Create a **different email** and buy **a new phone number.** If possible, with a new cheap phone that helps you maintain privacy and blocks easy access to in future.
* Choose **2 to 3 dating sites** preferably Christian apps/site for easy values and beliefs system.
* Choose **2 recent photos**: full and half. No selfies or filters
* Create **a username**, not from original names. Preferably a favourite flower, a nickname, best season or short form for your first name (i.e. Summer, 25)
* Create a profile that is **short**, **transparent** and **precise** but not greatly detailed. REMEMBER marriage is the goal.
* Set aside time at least **15-30mins** to browse profiles and answer emails/inbox messages.
* Be **open minded**, **willing** and **flexible.**
* Physical meet ups should be **at your convenience**, **open places** and **inform a close friend** always.
* **Initial conversations** should be on interests, hobbies, arts and culture, favourite activities, adventure and experiences, your day at work, sports, basic values and beliefs.
* On your first date even 2 and 3, do something fun; **preferably an activity** that you both can agree on and…not movie or coffee.



* DO NOT be afraid to filter what you want (boundaries) as you are not obligated to reply to **everyone**.
* DO NOT establish **emotional connection** without ever meeting physically (face to face).
* DO NOT accept **house visit** or vice versa.
* DO NOT take the first initiative (even with incentive) to fly out going for a physical **meet up in a different country**. ALWAYS let the man take the initiative to visit you first, he should book his own hotel/Airbnb and have money to take care of himself.
* DO NOT under any circumstances **seek financial assistances** no matter the crisis
* DO NOT under any circumstances **send anyone money** to anyone no matter the crisis they are facing.
* DO NOT dwell on **your academic qualifications**, **achievements** and **accomplishments**.



Below is an extreme personal list that should be reserved after physically meeting and establishing if you can date exclusively with courtship and marriage in mind.

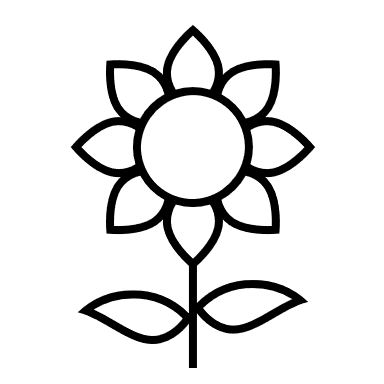
* **REFRAIN** from intrinsic details about your work. Take for example you are a Project manager with a known company. Say you do day to day management with the said company but hold back on speaking about the specific projects you oversee and the kind of team you are currently in charge of.
* **REFRAIN** from deep past relationships talks whether negative or positive. Speaking ill or with great admiration about your past relationships has a way of exposing your heart and mind. People do read in-between the lines and passing judgement without communicating openly resulting to you being disqualified.
* **REFRAIN** from negatives talks about self and your family. Again, this reveals your mental state and perception of life which is bound to be projected on to your potential relationship.
* **REFRAIN** from issues to do with salary, your dealings with finances, what you own (assets) and how much they did cost you. This can either without intention display pride, a competitive nature, a lack budgeting skills, or someone can calculate your worth resulting hidden motives.
* **REFRAIN** from deep dive on politics, interpretation of equality between men and women, Gender roles within marriage, and possibly doctrines of faith. This type of conversations can be misconstrued over the phone and result to biased view right from the beginning.



These are the red flags when it comes to online dating; just like in the outside world we meet people who take advantage of us. So is it in the online platforms even on Christian dating apps like tares and wheat grow on the same field. The online dating has **predators**, **scammers,** **adulterers** and **fornicators** among others with hidden motives. Therefore, watch out and cut links when you see:

* From a certain country (mostly USA) but **currently living and working abroad.**
* **Recently widowed** but with children.
* Has **children but no disclaimer** on the profile.
* Just from a **cancer treatment** or something nearly terminal.
* **Disappears and reappears suddenly** then tries to gaslight you into thinking that you did not communicate. They say “I kept quiet because you kept quiet” or takes forever to answer your messages or calls.
* Calls and messages at **odd times (both time zones)** despite letting them know your availability.
* Vague on specific questions, they are **not forth coming or open neither transparent** in all your discussions/questions. And you are left with more questions about them than before a call or message.
* Overly compliments you on **your physical look** and **too romantic onset** in your communication.
* Pressures to meet you, I want to see you now/can I come over type of person…they are **EAGERLY focused on let’s meet now** or as soon as possible.
* Arranges meet up but cancels last minute with **a vague explanation** or I was in the hospital or my mother/sister/dog/niece in law was sick I had to take them to hospital.
* Asks for you home address or **insists on coming to your home**.
* **Keenly focused** to know what’s your average income and assets you own. This can come from a trap conversation also known as revers psychology. They speak and dwell on what they own and earn in a boastful manner in attempt to make you ‘secure/disarm you’ or they constantly complain of financial difficulties and how you seem to have better opportunities, or you look like you are well off (victim verses saviour complex).

You’ve got this,



**GOOD LUCK!**

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