

# NECESSITY OF WISDOM IN MARRIAGE

Most marriages start on shaky or poor foundations. If the foundations are not strong, the construction there on will not stand the storms and forces that come in marriage. In order to understand marriage and handle marriage well, having wisdom is then a prerequisite. Handle marriage with wisdom.



***Prov 18:22***

***22 He who finds a wife finds what is good and receives favor from the LORD. NIV***

***Isaiah 11:2***

***The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him—  
the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and of might,  
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the LORD—***



*You need wisdom to handle marriage as :*

1. Marriage is oneness.
2. Marriage is the blending of two hearts in love.
3. Marriage is the blending of two souls.
4. Marriage is the blending of two lives who grew up a different locations, environment, school, had different acquaintances, relationships and parents with their different principles and values.



## 1 Cor 6:15-17 15

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! 16 Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh." 17 But he who unites himself with the Lord is one with him in spirit. **NIV**

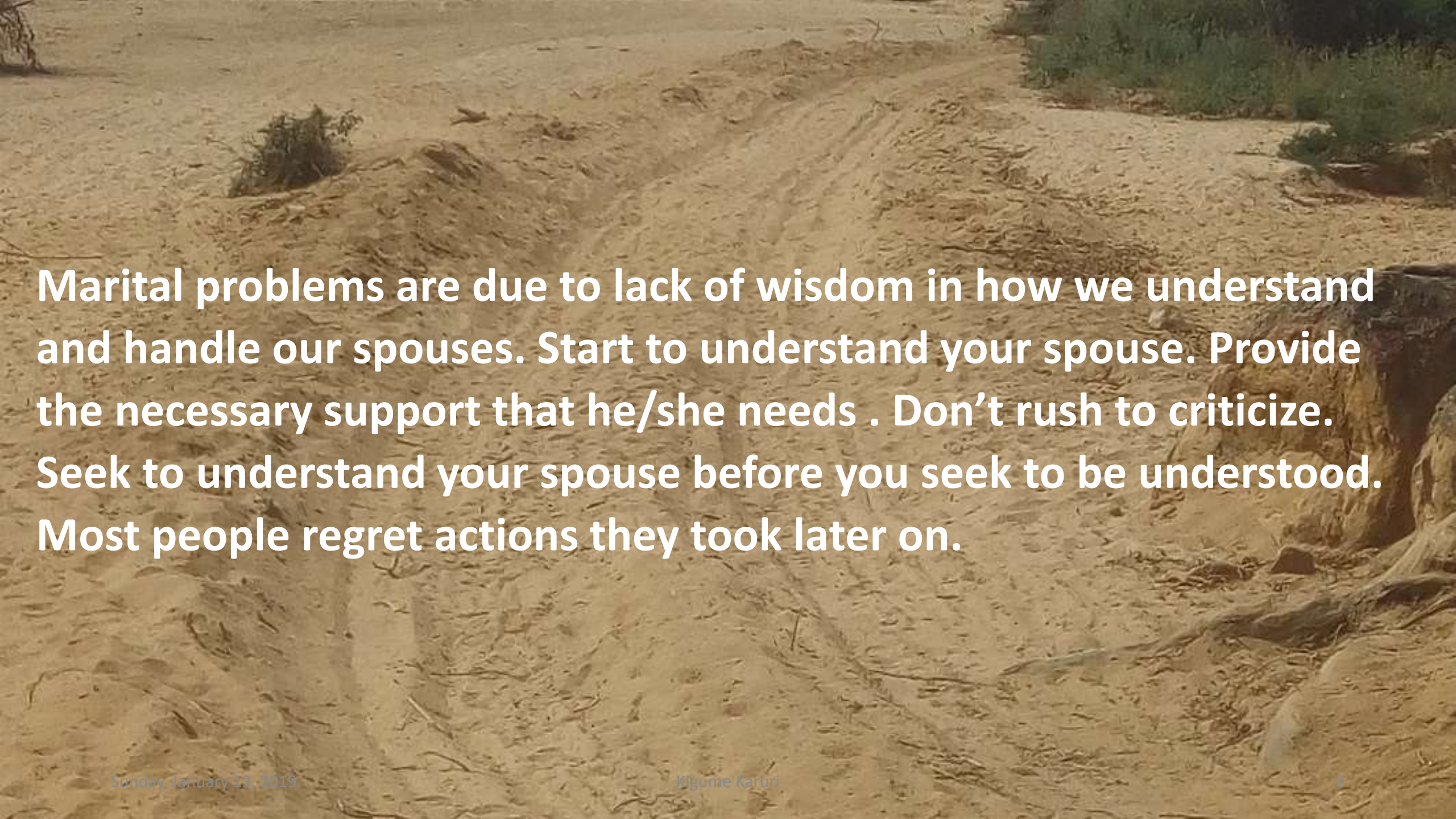


*You need wisdom even in handling sex as :*

- Sex bonds two souls together.
- Sex was created by God to be experienced and enjoyed within marriage.
- Sex in marriage brings about a blending of the souls of the couple.

It is even more difficult to break the tie that exists between a couple in a marriage covenant . The bond of love is always two strong. No matter what they go through in marriage, they remain together.





**Marital problems are due to lack of wisdom in how we understand and handle our spouses. Start to understand your spouse. Provide the necessary support that he/she needs . Don't rush to criticize. Seek to understand your spouse before you seek to be understood. Most people regret actions they took later on.**





## There are several things that you need to understand in marriage

1. Your marriage is your life.
2. Marriage will either increase you or reduce you.
3. Your marriage will either make you a happy person or a sad person.
4. Your marriage can complete your life or complicate it.



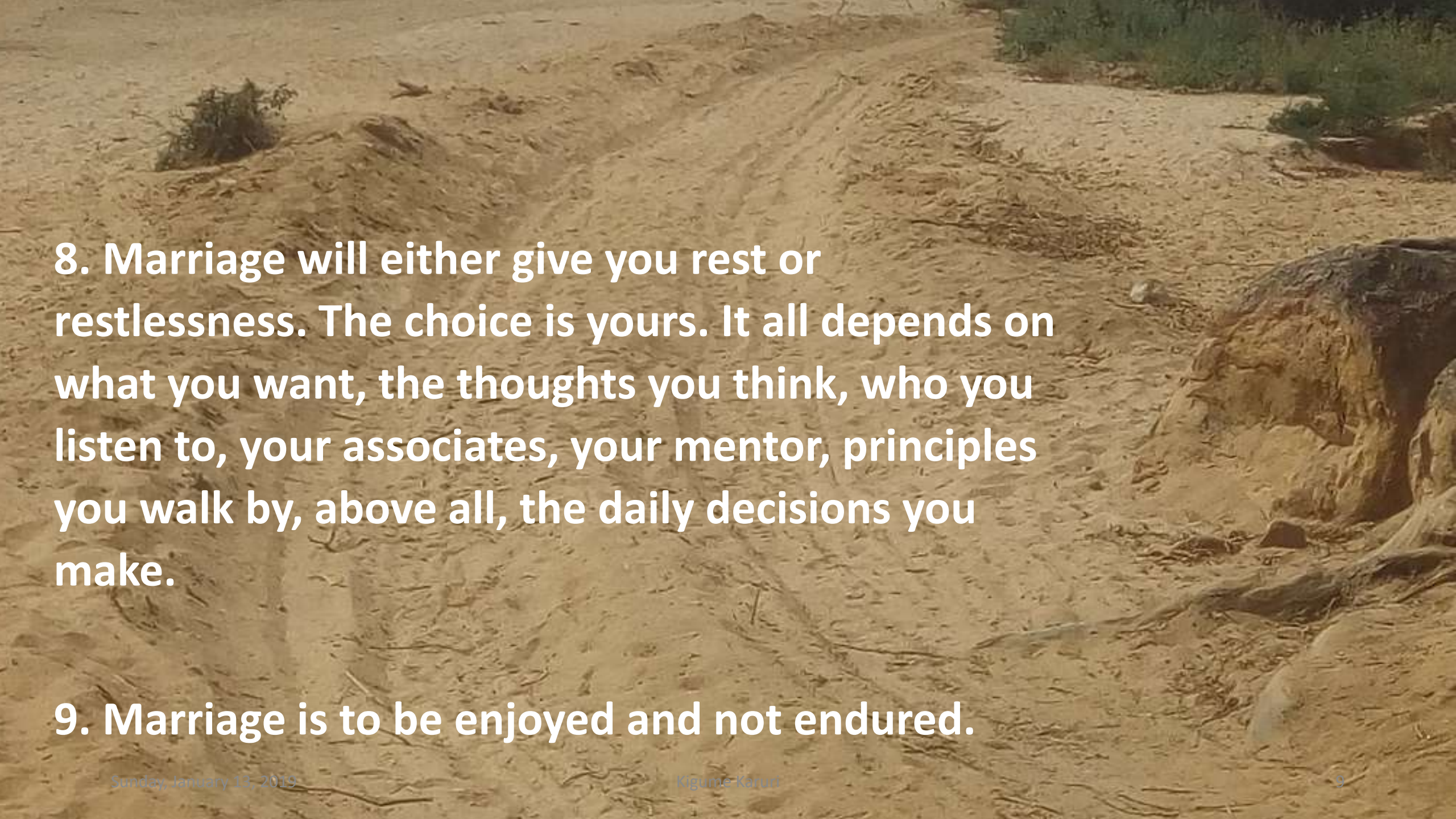


**5. Your marriage can fill the void in you and be an answer to the missing link or be the greatest mistake of your life.**

**6. Your marriage will either elevate you or pin you down.**

**7. Marriage is not as easy as it appears from the outside. It takes hard work and determination to make it sweet and enjoyable.**





**8. Marriage will either give you rest or restlessness. The choice is yours. It all depends on what you want, the thoughts you think, who you listen to, your associates, your mentor, principles you walk by, above all, the daily decisions you make.**

**9. Marriage is to be enjoyed and not endured.**



**10. You can never know more about marriage more than the one who created marriage – God.**

- His relationship with Israel is likened to that of a husband and a wife. Israel is referred to as the wife.**
- His relationship with the Christian, he likened to a marriage – Jesus is the groom and Church is the bride**
- God has experience in marriage.**
- All of us need to submit to him to teach us on marriage.**



## **Eph 5:22-33**

**22 Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. 24 Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. 25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her**



***26 to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, 27 and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. 28 In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. 29 After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church- 30 for we are members of his body.***



**31 "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." 32 This is a profound mystery-but I am talking about Christ and the church. 33 H31 "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." 32 This is a profound mystery-but I am talking about Christ and the church. 33 However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband. NIV owever, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband. NIV**



## Seek wisdom in knowing that:

1. Marriage is a game of love.

- Love brought you together. Love will keep you together.

2. Marriage is to spend and be spent.

- It requires your best and your all. No reservations.

3. Marriage can be a bed of roses. But remember, that there is no rose that is not accompanied by thorns.

- There might be rough times, clash of interest and opinions, interference from family, internal and external forces, spiritual and natural forces, unfulfilled dreams and visions disappointment and failures.
- Understanding, patience, maturity and discretion with prayers will make it a bed of roses despite all adversity



**4. Love is the foundation, the wall and roof of marriage. The question is, “what is love?”**

**1 Cor 13:4-8**

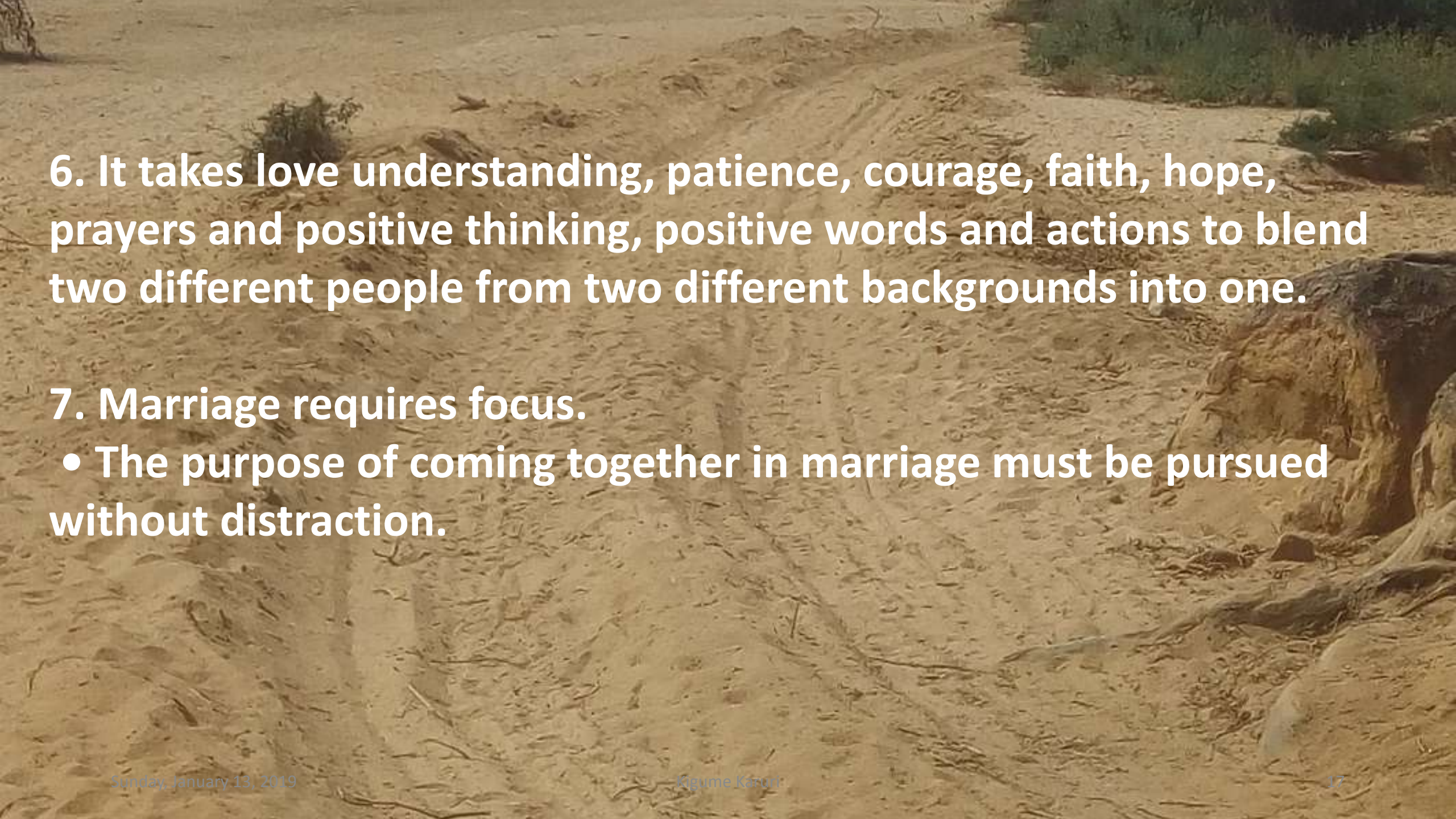
**4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. 8 Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. NIV**



## 5. Your decisions in marriage determine your experience per time.

- Every other person is an adviser.
- Your parent, in-laws, friends, colleagues, pastors and brethren are all advisers.
- You make all the decisions. And your decisions determine your experiences.
- No one will take responsibility or held accountable for your decisions and consequences, but you. It is always you, and you alone.
- You can't blame anyone for your thoughts, words actions and reactions. Only yourself.
- Be wise always apply wisdom. Live by the word of God.





**6. It takes love understanding, patience, courage, faith, hope, prayers and positive thinking, positive words and actions to blend two different people from two different backgrounds into one.**

**7. Marriage requires focus.**

- The purpose of coming together in marriage must be pursued without distraction.**



## Addressing Marriage Needs:

1. A man or woman that is not broken will have a crisis-full marriage

- To be broken is to allow the Holy Spirit to be absolutely in control of one's life and manifest a lowly and meek character.

2. Your friend can be a plus to your marriage or minus.

- Be careful about those who speak into your marriage.




### 3. The gateway to your future is your mind.

- What you see is what you get.
- What you imagine is what you create.
- What you think is what you are and what you will become.

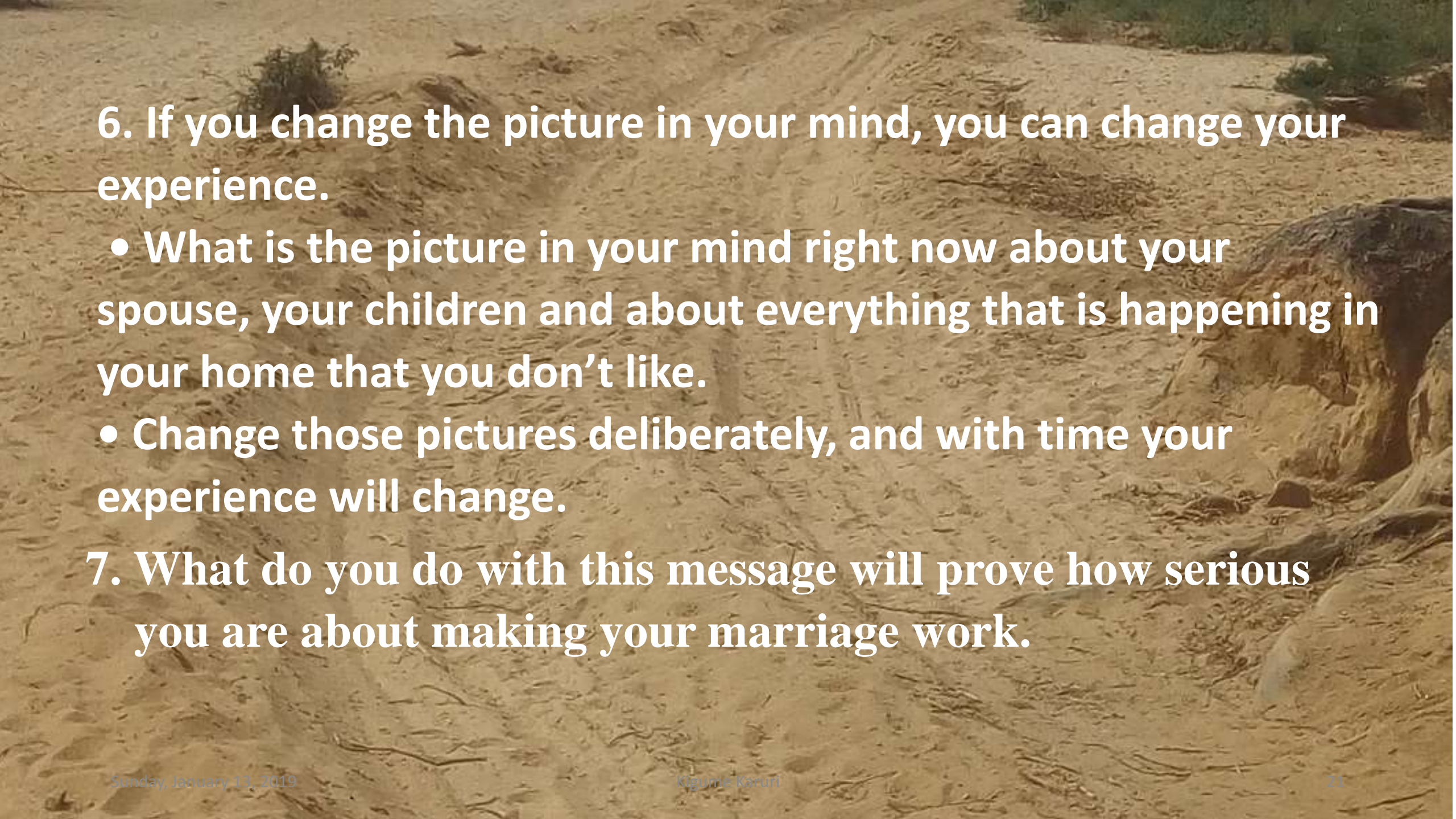
**Prov. 23:7**

***7 For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee. KJV***



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- 4. Success and failure in your marriage depends on what you think about your spouse as events unfold.**
- 5. Anger is an enemy of progress. Kill it before it kills your marriage.**



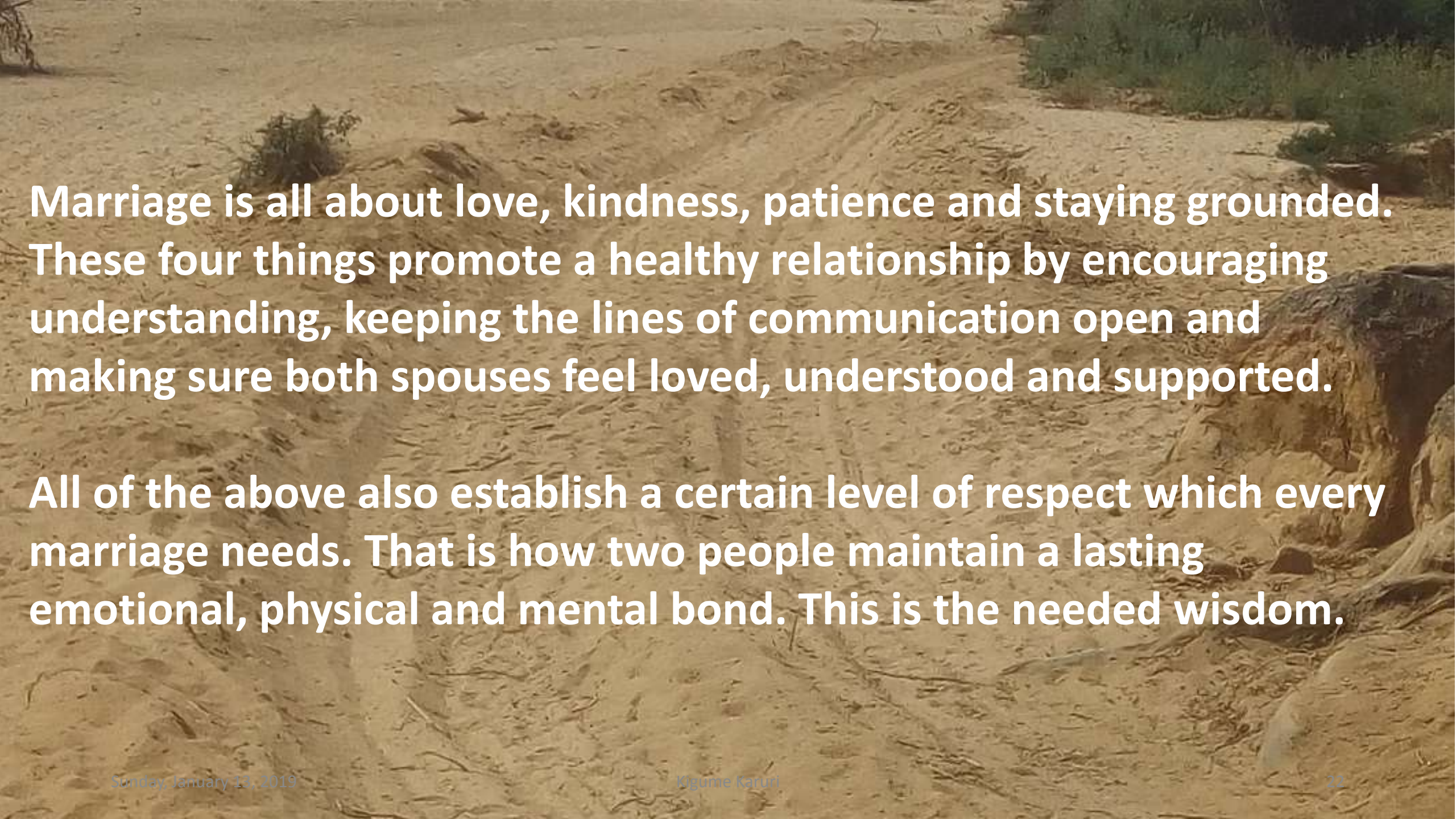
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**6. If you change the picture in your mind, you can change your experience.**

- What is the picture in your mind right now about your spouse, your children and about everything that is happening in your home that you don't like.**
- Change those pictures deliberately, and with time your experience will change.**

**7. What do you do with this message will prove how serious you are about making your marriage work.**





**Marriage is all about love, kindness, patience and staying grounded. These four things promote a healthy relationship by encouraging understanding, keeping the lines of communication open and making sure both spouses feel loved, understood and supported.**

**All of the above also establish a certain level of respect which every marriage needs. That is how two people maintain a lasting emotional, physical and mental bond. This is the needed wisdom.**