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A brother wants to marry me. I have spoken to him about marriage only through emails so I didn't consider that he was really serious but now he told me in person. He told me that he doesn't need to get to know me better because it's only a WESTERN practice. I totally accept him as a possible future husband but of course that's after my parents give me the consent.

And now, I am inspired by it and I told him that I would accept his proposal but that we would have to see what our parents have to say. For days he didn't respond to my letters and I found out later that he was going through a stage of depression.

So I told him what else? and he told me he is also infertile. After those days my attitude changed towards marriage yet I never showed a change to him. I don't want to become a corrupt person because I really like him and no matter his problems, I have accepted him.

I then came across a statement in this Marriage book I been reading that a person who has a health problem and which would affect his wife should not marry. Especially when children are concerned. So I wanted to ask u:

1. Is it legitimate for us to married although having children is not an intention?
2. If we do get married, we will not perform any type of sexual intercourse; will this be a fasting for me from worldly pleasures? Will I be rewarded in the here after (Allah knows best)?
3. He always tells me that he knows no girl will marry him because of his inability to have sexual intercourse, no girl will ever marry him and he will no longer have hopes to get married.?
4. If i do marry him, its like fulfilling his life to me and making him happy, and being a good wife to him, because he is brought many good changes in my Islamic life standards?

He has cried to me, and explained how he has desires to get married like his other brothers have, and I don't want to pity him because Allah is with him, but i do want to have mercy on him because he has desires to get married.

But brother if you can answer these questions in any way or give me advice I will be very happy. I know this is a very difficult situation. So your the only person that can help me out.

ur sister in Islam

**Answer:**

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Assalamu Aleikum

Sheikh Omar answered this question before as follows:

Marriage in Islam is for enjoyment and having children. There is no problem for either the man or woman to marry for one or the other or for both. However it is recommended to marry for both because the Messenger Muhammad (saw) said that we should marry the Wadood and Waluud i.e. the one we love and who will bear many children (which can be known for the woman's previous marriage or from her oft child-bearing mother). In other words it is permissible for a woman to marry an infertile man for enjoyment alone.

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