



## MarriedPeople Monthly October 2017

Each month, we share ideas and insights you can actually apply to your marriage. So try a few of the tips below and see how little things can turn into something big. You got this... because you are better at marriage than you think!

### He Said/She Said

#### What Still Surprises You About Your Spouse?

**Debbie:** I'm still surprised by how faithful John is to meet with and listen to God. How he continues to copy Scripture so he can pay attention to every word. John's humility and integrity even when it hurts. How much he loves and respects me after all these years!

HE SAID,  
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How much I still need him to tell me he loves me and he tells me often. How he moves towards me when he would rather walk away. How much he supports me with all that he manages for our family. By how much I still learning from him.

**John:** I'm still surprised by how much Debbie still loves, respects, and desires me. How high capacity she is and gets more done than any human being I know. How much attention she pays to the little things in life. How much she loves God, the whole Bible and loves learning and talking about it.

How adaptable she is to so many people. How competitive she is. She makes a contest of everything. And she wins. How much she aches over the brokenness of loved ones.

*John and Debbie Woodall have been married for 42 years.*

### Hot Button

*Simple things that can dramatically impact marriages.*

One of my biggest fears in marriage is that Kristen and I would just co-exist in a good marriage. Because she is such a low maintenance wife, I can take her for granted or even take advantage of her. I don't want this to be our story.

I've thought of at least four potential dangers or fears for those of us who are married to a low maintenance spouse. I don't want to be the guy who takes his wife for granted.

[4 Things to Fear When Your Spouse Is Low Maintenance](#)

*From Scott Kedersha*

### Random Awesomeness

Each month, we justify surfing the Web to bring you random awesomeness. Witness [the surprise wedding](#) that happened the same day as the proposal.

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## Post It

Grab a sticky note, fill in the blank below, and put it in a place your spouse will find it (e.g., washing machine, steering wheel, bathroom mirror, etc.). Take a picture of the note and upload it to the social media outlet of your choice, and include #mpdates.

It makes me laugh when you \_\_\_\_\_ .

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## 2-Minute Vacation

During one meal this week, ask each other this question:

How would it look if the two of us had to swap professions with each other?

## Plugged In

*The best gift you can give your spouse is a healthy you.*

Last month, we shared [30 questions for your wife](#). This month, we get the other side of the coin.

Ladies, be curious about your husband. Ditch the obligatory “How was your day?” and replace it with unique, thought provoking, open-ended questions.

Demonstrating genuine interest in your husband and opening dialogue shows that you care and enhances one of the joys of marriage—the sharing of lives.

[30 Questions To Ask Your Husband](#)

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