

WHEE! THE PEOPLE
“I Take Me Until Death Does Me Part”

From Focus On The Family

Ladies: Want to get married, but having a hard time finding that special guy?

Well, it's 2017. You don't need a guy. Or a gal, for that matter. You can marry yourself.

Yes, there's now a self-marriage movement, AKA—honest, we're not making this up—sologamy. As far as anyone can tell, it started in 1993 when one Linda Baker took herself for her spouse. And it's been slowly building ever since, breaking into pop culture on TV shows like *Sex and the City*, and *Glee*. At the hippie-ish Burning man festival in 2011, about 100 women reportedly took the plunge with themselves.

Self-marriage is a small but growing movement, with consultants and self-wedding planners popping up across the world,” says *Cosmopolitan*. If you've got thousands of bucks to spare, you can get the works—gown, bouquet, hair styling, wedding portraits, even travel packages. Or, for those not so well-heeled, the Website I Married Me offers a do-it-yourself kit: “For \$50, you get a sterling silver ring, ceremony instructions, vows, and 24 “affirmation cards” to remind you of your vows over time. For \$230, you can get the kit with a 14 carat gold ring.”

So what's a self-wedding like? Details vary, but *Cosmo* gives you samples. There are vows. (I promise to look in the mirror every day and be grateful.”) There are rings, albeit not always conventional ones. (We meet Dominique, who went with a nose ring because “I breathe my vows every day.”) There are guests. (We meet Erika, who gathered friends to admire her in her gown and watch as she declared, “I choose you today.”) And there are toasts—double portions, actually. (Erika downed two shots of whiskey, one for herself and one for herself.”)

To hear *Cosmo* tell it, the ladies are deliriously happy with their spouses. “For so many years, people had been telling me I was a great catch,” Erika says. “I caught myself.”

That's cutting-edge social evolution for you. It all makes sense to the progressive mind: If you can have same-sex marriage, why not same-self marriage too?

The following section was added by Tom Stephens of Christ's Bondservants.

“God's MARRIAGE Plan for His People”

“Marriage is honorable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will Judge. Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.” (Hebrews 13: 4-5)

“And a voice came out of the throne, saying Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great. And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints. And He said to me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And He said to me, These are the true sayings of God.” (Revelation 19: 5-9)

*“And I fell at His feet to worship Him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not; I am thy fellow-servant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of prophecy. And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called faithful and true, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but He Himself. And He was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called **The Word of God**. And He had on His vesture and on his thigh a name written, **KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS!** (Rev. 19: 10-13 & 16)*