

# COMPETITIVE DATING

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**Intro:** *Boys are immature morons!*

*Girls are trying way to hard to impress those boys!*

But- both sides can use this truth to their advantage!

Guys-- its time to raise the level of your game! Girls-- its time to make some demands! *Dating is a competition!* Once you realize that- You WIN! In this seminar, we will look at **25** outrageous, fun, out of the box, mind blowing, life changing dating tactics that will help you to both find and be the best date available.

## THE TACTIC'S

### Timothy Text #1

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in **speech**, in **life**, in **love**, in **faith** and in **purity**. Until I come devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching. Do not neglect your gift, which was given you through a prophetic message when the body of elders laid their hands on you. Be **diligent** in these matters; **give yourself wholly to them**, so that everyone may see your **progress**. Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will **save** both **yourself** and your **hearers**.

1 Timothy 4:12-16

### ***The Way You Date / Who You Date- Defines Who You Are (and who you are as a Christian)***

*1Cor. 10:31-11:1 ¶ So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God — even as I try to please everybody in every way. For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved. Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.*

### **It's about your attitude...**

... there's a simple way to see if a quarterback has the ability to run a team. When a good quarterback lines up behind center, he looks over the defense, wondering whom he's about to abuse. A shaky QB looks at the defense, wondering who's about to abuse him. And you can't distinguish that from a test score or a sprint time or the number of reps in a weight room. (Marinelli)

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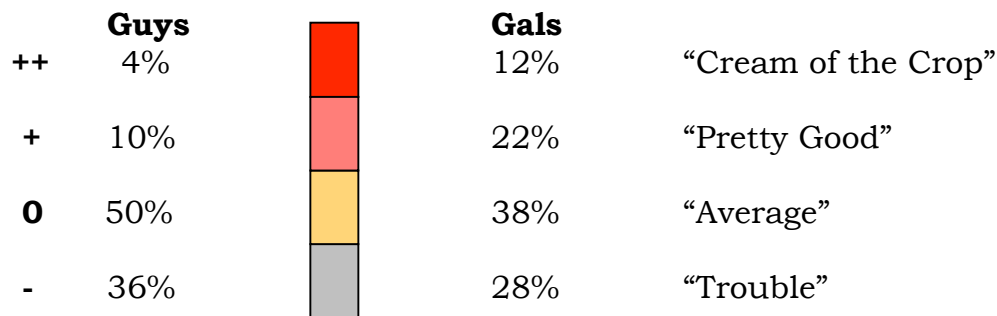
## COMPETITION TACTICS

### The American Idol Tactic

*1Cor. 9:24-27 ¶ Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air. No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.*

1 Timothy 4:12-16

### The Plus/Plus, Plus, Zero, Minus Tactic (++, +, 0, -)



*... set an example for the believers in **speech**, in **life**, in **love**, in **faith** and in **purity**. Timothy again!*

### The Deer Fight Tactic

*Gen. 29:18 Jacob was in love with Rachel and said, “I’ll work for you seven years in return for your younger daughter Rachel.”*

*So Jacob served seven years to get Rachel, but they seemed like only a few days to him because of his love for her.*

*21 ¶ Then Jacob said to Laban, “Give me my wife. My time is completed, and I want to lie with her.”*

*23 But when evening came, he took his daughter Leah and gave her to Jacob, and Jacob lay with her.*

*25 ¶ When morning came, there was Leah! So Jacob said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? I served you for Rachel, didn’t I? Why have you deceived me?”*

*28 ¶ And Jacob did so. He finished the week with Leah, and then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel to be his wife.*

*30 Jacob lay with Rachel also, and he loved Rachel more than Leah. And he worked for Laban another seven years.*

### **The Pooped Pants Tactic**

*1Cor. 6:12 ¶ “Everything is permissible for me” — but not everything is beneficial. “Everything is permissible for me” — but I will not be mastered by anything.*

### **The Stalker Tactic**

*Gen. 29:18 Story of Jacob and Rachel*

### **The Single Tactic**

*1Cor. 7:1,7 ¶ Now for the matters you wrote about: It is good for a man not to marry... I wish that all men were as I am. But each man has his own gift from God; one has this gift, another has that.*

### **Timothy Text #2 -**

Philippians 2:19-22

“I hope in the Lord Jesus **to send Timothy** to you soon, that I also may be cheered when I receive news about you. **I have no one else like him, who takes a genuine interest in your welfare. For everyone looks out for his own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.** But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel. I hope, therefore, to send him as soon as I see how things go with me.”

### **DATE TACTICS**

#### **The Listen not Fix Tactic**

## **The *It's Not Me It's YOU* Tactic**

*Gen 3 Garden of Eden*

## **The *Walk Out of the Theater* Tactic**

## **The *Pray now or pay latter* Tactic**

*Daniel 6 -Daniel and the Lions Den*

## **The *Last Fifteen Minutes* Tactic**

*2Tim. 3:1-5 ¶ But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God — having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them.*

## **LIFE NOW AND LATTER TACTICS**

### **The *Old Photo* Tactic**

### **The *Set Example* Tactic**

*Hag. 1:5-11 ¶ Now this is what the LORD Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways. You have planted much, but have harvested little. You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it.”*  
*¶ This is what the LORD Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways. Go up into the mountains and bring down timber and build the house, so that I may take pleasure in it and be honored,” says the LORD. “You expected much, but see, it turned out to be little. What you brought home, I blew away. Why?” declares the LORD Almighty. “Because of my house, which remains a ruin, while each of you is busy with his own house. Therefore, because of you the heavens have withheld their dew and the earth its crops. I called for a drought on the*

*fields and the mountains, on the grain, the new wine, the oil and whatever the ground produces, on men and cattle, and on the labor of your hands.”*

*Hag. 2:18-19 ‘From this day on, from this twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, give careful thought to the day when the foundation of the LORD’s temple was laid. Give careful thought: Is there yet any seed left in the barn? Until now, the vine and the fig tree, the pomegranate and the olive tree have not borne fruit. ¶ “From this day on I will bless you.’”*

### **The Revealing Tactic**

*Gen. 12:10-20 ¶ Now there was a famine in the land, and Abram went down to Egypt to live there for a while because the famine was severe. As he was about to enter Egypt, he said to his wife Sarai, “I know what a beautiful woman you are. When the Egyptians see you, they will say, ‘This is his wife.’ Then they will kill me but will let you live. Say you are my sister, so that I will be treated well for your sake and my life will be spared because of you.”*

*¶ When Abram came to Egypt, the Egyptians saw that she was a very beautiful woman. And when Pharaoh’s officials saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh, and she was taken into his palace. He treated Abram well for her sake, and Abram acquired sheep and cattle, male and female donkeys, menservants and maidservants, and camels.*

*¶ But the LORD inflicted serious diseases on Pharaoh and his household because of Abram’s wife Sarai. So Pharaoh summoned Abram. “What have you done to me?” he said. “Why didn’t you tell me she was your wife? Why did you say, ‘She is my sister,’ so that I took her to be my wife? Now then, here is your wife. Take her and go!” Then Pharaoh gave orders about Abram to his men, and they sent him on his way, with his wife and everything he had.*

### **The Re-touched Tactic**

*1Pet. 3:3-4 Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewelry and fine clothes. Instead, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God’s sight.*

## **SEX TACTICS**

### **The Clothing Tactic**

## **The Punt Team Tactic**

*1Tim. 1:18-19 ¶ Timothy, my son, I give you this instruction in keeping with the prophecies once made about you, so that by following them you may fight the good fight, holding on to faith and a good conscience. Some have rejected these and so have shipwrecked their faith.*

## **The Find a Virgin Tactic**

*Be a virgin, don't be sexually immoral...*

## **The Like a Virgin Tactic**

*God's Grace Verses-*

## **The Penny Saved is Ten Penny's Earned Tactic**

*1 Samuel 24+ - (King) David and King Saul*

## **The Don't Stop Running, Never Lie Down Tactic**

## **The God Owes Me Better Sex Tactic**

## **The I promise... Tactic**

*Matt. 5:37 Simply let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.*

**FAITH FIRST TACTICS**  
**The (Same) Faith Tactic**

*1Kings 11:1-2 ¶ King Solomon, however, loved many foreign women besides Pharaoh's daughter — Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians and Hittites. They were from nations about which the LORD had told the Israelites, "You must not intermarry with them, because they will surely turn your hearts after their gods."*

**The Complete Me Tactic**

**The Drivers Seat Tactic...**

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***Now get out there and compete to win!***

**NOTES:**

