

So Why Have You Never Been Married?

In 1980, 6% of men ages 40-44 were never married. Today that number has jumped to 17%. Men are delaying or avoiding marriage like never before and women want and need to know why. A new book sheds light on what these bachelors are thinking and the influences that have caused these men to remain single. The book offers insights on how to understand, deal with and accept these men.

So why do men remain bachelors into their 40s and beyond, some forever? Is there something wrong with them for failing to wed --or with society for expecting them to be married by now? Is their decision out of choice? Are they happy? We are privy to answers to these crucial questions with an enlightening new book, *So Why Have You Never Been Married: Ten Insights Into Why He Hasn't Wed*, by a 49-year-old never-married man, Carl Weisman, MS.

According to Carl's online survey of 1533 respondents of over 40 never-married heterosexual men, the number one reason give (48%) why they have yet to marry is they believe they haven't found the right person. For the remainder, 13% just never made it a priority or attached any importance to marriage, 7% enjoy being single and 8% expressed no desire to ever get married.

His new book delves into these details and shares intimate stories from nearly three dozen men. There is no singular, dominant reason as to why they remain single, but there are patterns and explanations that provide the reader with a greater understanding and appreciation of these men.

Carl enlightens us on:

- 7 reasons why love may not lead to marriage
- 6 beliefs that cause men to delay marriage
- 5 fears of men who have never married
- 9 regrets of men who never married
- The "80% dilemma": why long term relationships often times don't end in marriage

As a result of this endeavor, Carl, now 49 and still unwed, met a woman just five weeks after completing the book whom he is now living with and may very well marry.

“It was a real personal growth experience for me, both to write the book and to interview the men while researching it,” says Carl. “After I was done I fully examined my situation and explored how I got to that point. As a result new doors opened up to me and I am now in a fully loving and satisfying relationship.”

He also sheds light on what never-married men think when it comes to:

- The role finances and careers play in deciding when, or if, to wed
- How they view themselves and their situation
- What they really desire in an ideal mate
- Are they willing to be monogamous for life
- Do they believe in soul mates
- Why they fear divorce more than marriage
- The role children play in influencing their marital decision
- What women need to understand when dating a marriage-avoider
- Why these men shouldn't be labeled commitment-phobes but rather as heroes for admitting they aren't yet ready for the lifetime commitment of marriage

“Never married men are all different,” emphasizes Carl. “Trying to stereotype them as womanizers or commitment-phobic would not be fair or accurate. It just may be that never-married men have a greater respect for the sanctity of life-long marriage than almost any other demographic.”

Carl addresses the many factors influencing men's marriage decisions, which include children, sex, infidelity, divorce, parents, friends, money, relationship history, priorities, religion, holding out for the right one, and more.

He explores these many issues not defensively, but openly and objectively. He doesn't approach the study of marriage from a scientific or sociological vantage point. He, instead, offers real stories from men who have been single their whole lives and rather than how-to-get married advice and tips, their collective voice serves to help others both understand and appreciate their situation. “In short, being unwed over 40 for men should no longer have a stigma attached to it,” says Carl, “and men in such situations should come to view their lives as normal if not exceptionally unique.”

Carl is not critical of marriage or a commitment-phoebe. He simply shares what men want, feel like, and think -- and provides us a greater understanding of where they're coming from and even perhaps where they're heading.

About Carl Weisman, MS: He got his Bachelor of Science from Pennsylvania State University. He has a Masters in Science from the University of Southern California and a Masters in Business Administration from Loyola Marymount University. His first published book is in its second printing and it has become the industry's standard text (The Essential Guide To RF and Wireless). He lives in Redondo Beach, California. For more information, please consult: www.whynevermarried.com and www.CarlWeisman.com

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