

Is Your Boyfriend Hopping Around the Big Question?



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It's only expected for the next step in your relationship to be marriage after years of being committed together, right?

However, sometimes boyfriends evade the big question and you end up waiting for, well, nothing. Even if they do plan to spend the rest of their lives with you, they tend to forget that if you're left hanging for too long, you'll move on to find someone who's ready to get serious. But most of the time, it really isn't your fault. Here are some reasons why your boyfriend may be hopping around the big question:

- 1. He's waiting for the perfect moment, financially**

When a man gets married, he feels the responsibility to provide and care for his family. These financial responsibilities will usually push a guy to taking any opportunity in order to make the most money he can. Getting married without being financially stable or without having a plan isn't in the books for him.

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2. He doesn't want to give up his buddies

A guy is usually obsessed with his male buddy and his ['guy time'](#) can be something he may feel like he'll be giving up entirely once he gets married. Especially if your boyfriend's friends are single, it will be harder for him to tear himself away from the group. He'll try to get all that guy time out of his system before deciding he's ready to be 100 percent committed to marriage.

3. He might not be ready to get married yet

Getting married leads to other huge decisions that go along with it. Marriage means getting into the topic of having kids, possibly moving someplace different and other responsibilities he isn't ready to get into just yet. It's better to know he's proposing when he is completely ready to make those decisions with you, so you don't run into any problems later.

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4. He doesn't want to lose all his privacy

When you're dating someone for so long, you become a huge part of each other's lives. Marriage is another step ahead of that; you're around each other *all* the time. Privacy can be very important to a man, something that's hard for them to give up and share with a female. Realizing that everything

unites once you're married may have made your boyfriend wanting to delay the proposal a little bit longer.

What you can do to help speed up the process before he gets too comfortable is to avoid trying to change him. Let him do his own thing while you're together, and if he feels he has to give up too much to be with you, it won't be something he'll want to make permanent. But, definitely make sure to have a talk with him about your next steps together as you always want to be on the same page. If you are, marriage can't be too far into the future.

What are some other reasons your boyfriend may be hopping around the big question? And how do you keep from losing your cool? Share with us below.