

Dear Friends:

NEW RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS



Religious Hostility Rising Worldwide

Across the world, government restrictions and social hostilities involving religion increased in 2015, and continue to affect the Middle East-North Africa region most (though hostilities *increased the most* in Europe). Of the world's twenty-five most populous countries, Russia, Egypt, India, Pakistan and Nigeria had the greatest government and social hostility toward religion. All data are from a new Pew Research Center [report](#).



Key Causes of Relationship Breakdown

Both marriages and cohabiting unions tend to end due to issues with communication, relationship quality, and/ or unfaithfulness. In the UK, on average, marriages last longer than cohabitations (3.5 times longer for women and 4 times longer for men), [report](#) researchers at the University College London.



Families and Households of Baby Boomers versus Millennials

In the US, compared to Baby Boomers, Millennials are less likely to marry, to live independently, to own a home, or to live with a biological child, [according](#) to researchers at Bowling Green State University.

MARRIPEDIA ENTRIES RELATED TO THESE FINDINGS

- 1) [“Effects of Religious Practice on Society”](#)
- 2) [“Effects of Marriage on Couple’s Relationship”](#)
- 3) [“Effects of Divorce on Children’s Future Relationships”](#)

NEW BLOG: Sabbath Effects

The Relational Day of the Week

Man is a relational being – and deeply so. He thrives when he belongs and wilts when he does not. One day a week, the Sabbath, can do a lot to replenish man. The Sabbath is meant for God and family – for our most important relationships. [Continue reading...](#)

With an eye to the child, the future of America,

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