

Fundamentals Of The Church

Biblical Husbands

(Ep 5:28)

INTRODUCTION

1. Good Morning
 - a. Greeting...
2. Series of lessons on the "family"
 - a. Mom's; Children...
 - b. This morning Husbands
3. The husband & wife relationship has been somewhat a wreck over the years
 - a. There has been much divorce and upheaval in the home over the years.
 - b. Most of it is due to a lack of communication
 - i. "A mature-looking lady had an appointment with a marriage counselor, and told him flat out: "I would like to divorce my husband." To this, the counselor replied, "Well, do you have any grounds?" She answered, "Why yes. We have almost an acre." The puzzled counselor asked her, "You don't understand. What I want to know is do you and your husband have a grudge?" The lady answered, "Actually, we don't, but we do have a nice carport." At this, the counselor shook his head and said, "Ma'am, I'm sorry, but I just don't see any reason why you should divorce your husband." The lady looked at the counselor and said to him, "It's just that the man can't carry on an intelligent conversation." (http://elbourne.org/sermons/index.mv?illustration+229)
 - c. Some of it is a lack of not understanding their biblical roles
 - i. A [husband] who often helped his wife with the housework finally protested when she demanded that he help wash the dishes. "This isn't a man's job," he said. "Yes it is," she said. "Look up II Kings 21:13." This is what he read, "...and I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it, and turning it upside down." (http://elbourne.org/sermons/index.mv?illustration+228)
5. My hope this morning is that we can help that wreck marriages are on and that starts with the Husband understanding what a husband ought to be.

I. Husbands Have Authority Over Their Wives/Home

- A. It is the general rule for man and woman
 1. **I Ti 2:12-14** "And I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man, but to be in silence. 13 For Adam was formed first, then Eve. 14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression."
 2. **I Co 11:3** "But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God."
- B. It is a specific rule for the house
 1. **Ep 5:22-24** "Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. 24 Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything."

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2. **Gn 3:16** "To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; Your desire shall be for your husband, And he shall rule over you.""
- C. This is a command not suggestion
 1. **Jn 14:15** "If you love Me, keep My commandments."
- D. What does this mean?
 1. Men are "really" to wear the pants in the family.
 2. It means husbands are the leaders & leaders...
 - i. Lead
 - a. **I Ti 3:4a** "one who rules his own house well, having his children in submission with all reverence"
 - b. **Je 23:2** "Therefore thus says the LORD God of Israel against the shepherds who feed My people: "You have scattered My flock, driven them away, and not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for the evil of your doings," says the LORD."
 - ii. Teach
 - a. **II Ti 2:2** "And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also."
 - b. **Ja 3:1** "My brethren, let not many of you become teachers, knowing that we shall receive a stricter judgment."
 - iii. Encourage
 - a. **I Th 3:2** "and sent Timothy, our brother and minister of God, and our fellow laborer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you and encourage you concerning your faith"
 - iv. Reprove & Rebuke (Correct & Discipline)
 - a. **II Ti 4:2** "Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching."
 - v. Strive for excellence
 - a. **Ti 2:6-8** "Likewise, exhort the young men to be sober-minded, 7 in all things showing yourself to be a pattern of good works; in doctrine showing integrity, reverence, incorruptibility, 8 sound speech that cannot be condemned, that one who is an opponent may be ashamed, having nothing evil to say of you."

II. Husbands Love (Agape) Your Wives

- A. It is commanded
 1. **Ep 5:25** "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her"
- B. It is so your prayers are not hindered
 1. **I Pt 3:7** "Husbands, likewise, dwell with them with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered."

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- C. Husbands are to imitate Christ
 - 1. **Ep 5:25** "see above"
 - 2. **Ph 2:5** "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus"
- D. What does that mean though?
 - 1. Willing to give your life, **Ep 5:25**, so that...
 - i. Your wife is sanctified (set apart) as righteous
 - a. **Ep 5:26** "that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word"
 - b. **I Co 7:14** "For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband; otherwise your children would be unclean, but now they are holy."
 - ii. Your wife will be your splendor
 - a. **Ep 5:27** "that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish."
 - b. **Pr 12:4** "An excellent wife is the crown of her husband, But she who causes shame is like rottenness in his bones."
 - iii. Care for her as well or better than you care for your body
 - a. **Ep 5:28-29** "So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church."
 - b. **I Co 9:27** "But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified."
 - 2. There is no other but your wife
 - i. God is seen as the husband of His people
 - a. **Is 54:5-6; Ho 2:19-20**
 - ii. Notice God is always the husband to His wife and only His wife
 - a. To go outside of this would adultery/fornication
 - iii. Husbands love "your" wife!!!!!!

CONCLUSION

- 1. The truth of the matter is husbands must be husbands.
 - a. They must enjoy their wives
 - i. **Ec 9:9a** "Enjoy life with the wife whom you love..."
 - b. They must love their wives
 - i. Sometimes...no all the time.
- 2. Invitation