

Message to Husbands

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I. Introduction.

A. A wife needs to know that she is indispensable.

B. Text: Ephesians 5.

II. A husband must give to his wife the same love Christ gave to the church.

III. Any good marriage relationship is predicated on each spouse's individual relationship with God.

IV. What it practically means to love one's wife.

A. Love has to take on action. (1 John 3:18)

B. There are three things a husband should do every day.

1. Tell your wife you love her.

2. Do something nice for her.

3. Pay her a compliment.

C. A husband should develop the habit of happiness around the home.

V. Men need to learn to think more like women to understand their wives.

VI. The order of a husband's priorities should be: relationship to God, relationship to your wife and relationship to your children.

VII. Things to avoid in marriage.

A. Using sarcasm.

B. Public criticism.

C. Letting little things build up.

VIII. Communication in marriage is really important.

A. Be quick to talk in the midst of conflict.

B. Say you are sorry.

IX. Differences between men and women.

Application questions:

1. What are some road-blocks to communication?

2. What are some specific complements or acts you can do during a week to express your love for your wife?

3. What does healthy communication look like? Explain.
