

Biblical Role of the Husband

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: 1 Peter 3:7.

B. A husband is to care for his family.

II. If we are not honoring our wives, we are hindering our prayers.

III. When we are married, we become one flesh. (Genesis 2:24; Proverbs 6:32; Romans 1:27; 2 Peter 2:10)

IV. Parts of marriage.

A. The emotional. (Ephesians 5:25-29; 4:31-32)

B. The spiritual. (Genesis 18:19; Titus 1:7)

C. The physical. (1 Timothy 5:8; 1 Corinthians 7:2-5)

V. A man's emotional responsibility.

A. Husbands are to love and cherish their wives.

B. Women have certain emotional needs that can only be met by men.

C. A man must exercise spiritual leadership.

D. Women need stability and trustworthiness. (1 Corinthians 14:8)

E. Real loving is giving not getting.

F. Express appreciation for your wife.

1. Never forget a special day.

2. Compliment your wife.

3. Listen to your wife.

G. Women need to be cared for and protected.

H. Women need to feel like sweethearts.

I. Women need to be needed.

VI. A man's physical responsibility. (1 Timothy 5:8)

A. God created sexuality. (Genesis 1:27-28)

B. Sex is designed for pleasure. (Proverbs 5:15-19)

C. Different viewpoints of sex.

D. Reasons for sexual contact within marriage.

1. An expression of love.

2. Reproduction.

3. Potential relief or release.

4. Enjoyment.

E. Sex binds a wife and husband for life. (Genesis 2:24; Hebrews 13:4)

F. Suggestions.

1. Warm up.

2. Be aware of a woman's sexual needs.

3. Be clean.

G. Problems come from guilt, fear and a Puritanical upbringing. (1 John 1:9)

H. Sex should not be withheld. (1 Corinthians 7:2-5)

VII. Signs of a domineering husband.

A. Emotional insecurity.

B. Compulsiveness.

C. Uncommunicativeness.

Application questions:

1. What are the characteristics of a healthy husband?

2. What are your weaknesses as a husband?

3. What will you do grow as a husband in the coming weeks?
