

# The Role and Responsibility of the Husband



**Ephesians 5:20-28**

- Review of lessons taught:
- 1. “Having a Good Journey in Marriage” – Heb. 13:4
- Marriage – a covenant made publicly between a man (born male) and woman (born female), for the purpose of fulfilling the will of God in our generation.
- 2. “How is Your Marriage – Good or Bad?” – Mal. 2:13-14
- A. Ten top marriage killers
- B. Ten top marriage builders

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- There are many issues and problems that are facing marriages today.
- The problems that we are facing are many because it starts with the head (husband).
- Many of the negative issues facing us today can be traced to the breakdown of the family.
- The only way we can come back to God’s original design for the family is by coming back to God’s Word.
- What many men do when they are out from under God’s head ship is to seek to get out of the relationship.
- Satan disrupted the first marriage by switching the order in the relationship.
- Every Christian husband must recognize that he is under the authority of Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 11:3).

- **Let's look at some of the responsibilities and role of a Christian husband.**
  - 1. The Christian husband is to love his wife (v. 25).**
    - **The word "love" has become devalued today. Biblical love involves the sacrifice you make for the loved one.**
  - A. The Christian husband is to be a savior for his wife.**
  - B. The Christian husband is to be a sanctifier (Eph. 5:26).**
  - C. The Christian husband is to be a satisfier (Eph. 5:28).**
  
- 2. The Christian husband is to be a visionary.**
  - A. Being a true visionary is a lost art today (Prov. 29:18).**
  - B. Males have built-in qualities enabling them to receive the vision and to bring it to pass.**
- **Prerequisites for Discovering Vision:**
  - 1. Follow Christ's example.**
  - 2. Acknowledge Christ's headship.**
  - 3. Listen for God's direction.**
  - 4. Be open to God's communication.**
    - **Before God gave the man a helper, he gave him a vision of what he should be doing.**
  
- 3. The Christian husband is a leader. Men are created and designed to lead.**
- **The Characteristics of a Leader**
  - 1. Strong and courageous.**
  - 2. Obedient to God's Command.**
  - 3. A logical thinker.**
  - 4. A servant's heart.**
  - 5. A teachable spirit.**
  - 6. Commands respect.**

- Wives you are good for your husband.

#### 4. The Christian husband is a teacher.

A. Teaching attracts the trust of God (Gen. 18:17-21).

B. If a man can't teach the Word, he is not ready for marriage.

○ How to Teach the Word to Your Family - Deut. 4:9; 6:6-9

1. "Talk about them when you sit at home."

2. "Talk about them...when you walk along the road."

3. "Talk about them...when you lie down."

4. "Talk about them...when you get up."

5. "Tie them as symbols on your hand and bind them on your foreheads."

- God is saying to fathers – "Get the Word in you."

#### 5. The Christian husband is a cultivator.

- To cultivate means to multiply, make fruitful, and to make better.

A. Cultivator of his work, talents, and skills

B. Cultivator of his children.

C. Cultivator of his wife.

#### 6. The Christian husband is a provider. God gave the male the assignment of work (Gen. 2:15).

#### 7. The Christian husband is a protector.

- When God told Adam to take care of the Garden, he was placed there to also protect it and everything in it.

- The male is like God's "security guard."