

Sermon Notes: 5.9.21

MAKING AN IMPACT: Building a Godly Family

BIG IDEA: Honor Christ as the head of your home.

1. WHAT MAKES A GODLY MARRIAGE?

- LOVE & HONOR YOUR SPOUSE

Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her... In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church because we are members of his body. "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband. Ephesians 5:24-25, 28-33

...Train the young women to love their husbands and children.... Titus 2:4

Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered. 1 Peter 3:7

- STAY FAITHFUL

Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. Hebrews 13:4

The husband should give to his wife her conjugal rights, and likewise the wife to her husband. 1 Corinthians 7:3

- STAY MARRIED

And Pharisees came up to him and tested him by asking, "Is it lawful to divorce one's wife for any cause?" He answered, "Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female, and said, 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate." They said to him, "Why then did Moses command one to give a certificate of divorce and to send her away?" He said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart Moses allowed you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so. And I say to you: whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery." Matthew 19:3-9

2. WHAT IF MY SPOUSE ISN'T A CHRISTIAN?

- STAY TOGETHER

...If any brother has a wife who is an unbeliever, and she consents to live with him, he should not divorce her. If any woman has a husband who is an unbeliever, and he consents to live with her, she should not divorce him. 1 Corinthians 7:12-13

- BE A GOOD & GODLY SPOUSE

Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives, when they see your respectful and pure conduct. 1 Peter 3:1-2

3. HOW DO I BRING UP CHILDREN?

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. Ephesians 6:4

- DISCIPLINE THEM
- INSTRUCT THEM
- BE A GOOD EXAMPLE

4. HOW DO I TREAT MY PARENTS?

- OBEY THEM

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Colossians 3:20

- HONOR THEM
- CARE FOR THEM

But if a widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show godliness to their own household and to make some return to their parents, for this is pleasing in the sight of God. ...But if anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for members of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

1 Timothy 5:4, 8

“But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.” Joshua 24:15

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