

A Family Man
1Peter 2:21-25

God's Way Works

Ezekiel 22:30; Jeremiah 5:1; Proverbs 18:22; Proverbs 12:4; Proverbs 19:14

Leader

Headship is a role given by God

Leadership is earned not taken or assumed - **1Corinthians 11:3**

Two reason for this headship - **1Timothy 2:11-14**

Yet husband love wife as himself - **Ephesians 5:28-29**

He gives honor to his wife, listens with desire to understand - **1Peter 3:7**

Lead in God's Way - **Genesis 18:19**

Knowledge of what is right; God's will. Custom, tradition, and personal preference must be subordinated to this

Good example - **Luke 22:25-27; Philippians 2:5-8**

Guard against three pitfalls of marriage

In-law troubles - leave & cleave to wife - **Matthew 19:5-6**

Infidelity - give yourself wholly to each other - **Hebrews 13:4**

Must understand each one's emotion and physical needs - **1Corinthians 7:1-5; Proverbs 5:18-21**

Insufficient funds - work together on finances

Provider

Provide leadership separate from parents - **Genesis 2:22-24**

Wife can make her home her own way - **Proverbs 14:1**

Serious problems when parent or children fail to turn loose oversight and security

Love suggests children will counsel with parents, but remember - two separate families.

Provides for her spiritual needs - **1Corinthians 14:34-36; 1Peter 3:7**

Provides for physical needs, financial security - **1Timothy 5:8**

Provides for her sexual needs - **1Corinthians 7:1-4**

Provide protection from dangers

Women today go and do anything men might and husbands allow this to be - **Ephesians 5:28-29**

He provides protection from strenuous or masculine work. Not being sexist, but honoring

Strength In Gentleness

Gentleness is a God-like quality - **James 3:17**

Ruggedness synonym of manhood and gentleness to femininity.

Thus some avoid being gentle, but think of term "gentle - man"

Jesus demonstrated the strength of gentleness - **1Peter 2:21-25**

What is involved in being gentle - **Titus 3:1-2; Ephesians 4:32**

Nourish and cherish his wife - causing to grow, supporting and maintaining - **Ephesians 5:28-29**

Restraint and self-control, these prove gentleness is a quality of strength. Anyone can react with evil for evil, but only strong can contain their emotions and calmly control both tongue and body

Love

Is sacrificial love: "as Christ loved church"; preeminent love: "as own bodies"; truly caring love: "even as himself" - **Ephesians 5:25-33**