

WHAT IS A CHRISTIAN FAMILY?

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TO HAVE A CHRISTIAN FAMILY YOU MUST HAVE CHRISTIAN PARENTS

WHAT IS A REAL CHRISTIAN FAMILY? I Thess. 1:9,10, Col. 1:2

- I. The Christian Family Provides Physical Well Being
- II. The Christian Family Provides Intellectual Development
- III. The Christian Family Provides Emotional Balance
- IV. The Christian Family Provides Spiritual Growth
- V. The Christian Family remains Faithful to God and Each other

A. No Adultery Exodus 20:14, 17

B. No Divorce Mal. 2:12-16; Matt. 5:27,28; 19:1-9, 18,19; Mark 10:1-12; Luke 16:18

THE RULES OF THE CHRISTIAN HUSBAND Eph. 5:18-33; I Peter 3:1-7

I. The Husbands Attitude Toward His Wife and Family

A. He must earn His wife’s Love and Respect vs.33

1. To generate respect a man must first love (agapaō=sinless, selfless, sacrificial) himself vs.28. Balanced by our love of God Rom. 8:31

2. A man must love his wife I Cor. 7:3

He must tell and show her - often and convincingly

3. Marriage is a sharing and giving experience – Learn about her feelings and live with her in understand. I Peter 3:5-7

B. He must earn his children’s Love and Respect

If a man loves his wife as he should he will love his children and they will love him. He will demonstrate it:

1. By spending time with your children Eph. 6:2

2. By talking to them often Deut. 6:6-9

3. By being fair (equity)
4. By admitting mistakes, quickly and honestly
5. By taking family trips together

C. He must guide them as they grow. Children watch their parents; Dad bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

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## II. THE HUSBAND PROVISION FOR HIS WIFE AND FAMILY

- A. The Husband provides gentleness Col. 3:19; Eph. 5:25,28,33
- B. The Husband must provide Goal Phil. 3:14
- C. The Husband provides an atmosphere of creativity. Prov. 22:6
- D. The Father provides Spiritual Growth Prov. 22:6; Eph. 6:4; Rom. 12