



*Love Your Husband*  
Exalt Your Special Calling

*<sup>1</sup>Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, <sup>3</sup>being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.  
~ Ephesians 4:1-3*

*Rejoice in God's Great Design*

- Remember Eve (Gen. 2:18-25).
- See God's great plan (Prov. 18:22).

*"There is no more lovely, friendly or charming relationship, communion or company, than a good marriage."  
~ Martin Luther*

## *Position Yourself Under Him*

- Submit joyfully (1 Pet. 3:1-5).
- Keep his commands (Jn. 14:15).
- Respect him (Eph. 5:33).

## *Pray for Him*

- Work in prayer (1 Pet. 4:7).
- Cultivate God's wisdom (Prov. 31).

## *Forgive Him*

- Let love reign (Jas. 5:20; 1 Pet. 4:8).
- Bear all things (1 Cor. 13:7).
- Be patient (1 Thes. 5:14).

## *Provide His Needs and More*

- Necessities:
  1. Promote a godly home.
  2. Provide food and clothing.
  3. Focus on what is important to him.
  4. Go beyond.
- Physical Desires:
  1. Rid yourself of personal baggage—guilt, fears, sinful habits (Heb. 12:1).
  2. Exercise to energize (I Tim. 4:8).
  3. Be available.
  4. Focus on him.
  5. Communicate.

## *Protect Him*

- Remember his humanity (Gal. 5:19-21).
- Help him face the battle (I Pet. 5:8, Eph 6:12).
- Know him.
- Stay loyal to him.

## *Give of Your Time*

- Focus on him.
- Listen.
- Take part.
- Make memories.
- Prioritize.

## *Stand by Him until Death*

- Be faithful (Mt. 19:5-6; Heb. 11:6).
- Fulfill your vow.
- Prepare for changes.
- Care for him in weakness (2 Cor. 4:16).
- Help him complete his race (1 Cor. 9:24).



### *Practical Suggestions*

*(Results of a Survey)*

Choose to love.

Reverence him in thoughts, words, and actions.

Go to him first for counsel and opinions.

Don't ever speak ill of him to others.

Divorce is never an option.

Do as much together as possible.

Participate in his hobbies.

Cook for him—save going out to eat for special occasions.

Buy him treats: chocolate, clothing, nuts.

Follow his wishes: cut his hair, etc.

Play games together, and don't gloat over winning.

Verbalize your respect and praise.

“Public praise, private criticism.”

Be sensitive and kind in private as well as in public.

Arrange your day to be on time for plans he has made.

Be fully content and satisfied in him.

Hold hands and kiss as often as possible!

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