A Christian and Her Husband
Prov. 12:4

Introduction:
A. A wife can be either the best or worst thing to happen to a man.
B. A virtuous (worthy) wife is a priceless asset to her husband (Prov. 31:10-31)
C. We shall notice some relationships a Christian sustains to her husband.

Discussion:
I. A Wife Is to Be Her Husband’s Lover.
A. She is to love him in the same way that he is love her as noticed in last lesson.
   1. In a romantic passionate way (1 Cor. 7:3 NKJ)
   2. In a “moral and social” way as noticed in last lesson.
      a. Seeks welfare of others.
      b. Love of principle not passion.
B. She can learn how to love her husband from older godly women (Tit. 2:4).
   1. Bible love can be taught, commanded, learned and obeyed.
   2. Too many learn love from movies, TV, etc.
      a. Falling in and out of love with every wind change.
      b. Equating love with fornication (cf. Eph. 5:2-3).

II. A Wife Is to Be Her Husband’s Helper.
A. God made her to be a “help (helper) meet (suitable) for her husband (Gen. 2:18).
B. There are many ways she can help (or hinder) him.
   1. Helping his reputation (Prov. 31:23).
   2. Help supplement family income when needed (Prov. 31:24) – without hindering homemaking.
   3. Help him prepare of greater service in the kingdom (1 Tim. 3:4, 11, 12)
   4. Help him support the family by being economical – used to have courses in “home economics”
   5. Help his morale by showing proper respect for who he is and what he does. (Eph. 5:33; 1 Pet. 3:6)
   6. Help him spiritually by a proper example (1 Pet. 3:1-5)
   7. Help by providing a peaceful haven away from the “rat race” (Prov. 21:9, 19; 27:15)

III. A Wife Is to Be Her Husband’s Homemaker.
A. She can learn this art from older godly women (Tit. 2:5 KJV, ASV, NKJV)
   1. Moms teach your daughters these things before they marry.
   2. Daughters seek out godly women to learn from – if mom will not teach you.
   3. No where are older men told to teacher younger men to be house-husbands.
B. As homemaker, she is his child-care provider.
   1. Too many children raised by someone other than parents.
   2. Sometimes necessity dictates – more often desire for more things and freedom.

Conclusion:
A. It is great when both husbands and wives know their given roles in the family and fulfil them.
B. Both husbands and wives have to consciously work at it.
C. The failure of either does not justify the other neglecting his or her responsibility.