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What does God say about the wife's relationship to her husband?

WIVES, LOVE YOUR HUSBANDS.

(See: Titus 2:4)

Statement #1. God's definition of love is to be obedient:

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me... (John 14:21)

This word *keepeth*, means placing ones full focus, mind and heart on God's word.

#2. The aged women are commanded by God to ...*teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands...*(Titus 2:4). In showing her love for her husband, ..*Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are...*(1 Peter 3:6).

#3. Over the years my relationship with my husband became unpleasant. I was lonely, depressed and felt some

resentment towards my husband: he also was very unhappy, he isolated himself from me and spent most of his time watching the television that had replaced me as his companion.

Sinful thoughts of divorce would come to my mind and caused me to have doubts about my salvation.

Let not the wife depart from her husband. (1 Corinthians 7:10b)

#4. God further added to my misery by placing me under a series of teachings about The Role Of Men And Women.

This intensive study showed that the earthly marriage union is to be a portrayal of Christ's spiritual union with his true church, his bride.

For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and be joined unto his wife, and the two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak of the church. (Ephesians 5:30-32)

#5. My sin was exposed by God's word and I became more miserable, God's chastening also seemed to be more intensified.

The LORD hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over unto death. (Psalms 118:18)

#6. Because my husband had practically handed over the

control of almost everything to me I felt I was being obedient to him by doing exactly what he wanted: but I learned this was dishonoring God; I had perverted God's chain of command by not upholding the role of my husband as being the head in the marriage.

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husband as unto the Lord. For the husband is head of wife.

(Ephesians 5:22-23)

But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ God.

(1 Corinthians 11:3)

#7. The husband being the head of the household has nothing to do with who does the dishes or the cleaning at home, this is about honor and respect.

The wife must not show disrespect in any form to her husband, we do this unknowingly sometimes when we offer advice or teach them, when we criticize, contradict, distrust or try to control them.

But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor usurp authority over the man, but to learn in silence. For Adam was first formed then Eve.

(1 Timothy 2:12-13)

#8. One way in which a wife may try to control her husband is by

withholding our body from him. We do this when we feel resentment or anger towards him for something he may have done, or if we feel unappreciated or unloved. No matter how we feel God commands us not to defraud each other.

Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. The wife hath no power of her own body but the husband. Defraud ye not one the other, except with consent for a time, and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your incontinency.

(1 Corinthians 7: 3,4,5)

#9. A part of this coming together, is physical intimacy, and it is a vital component to the pursuit of peace and harmony in a marriage, it signifies our oneness despite the problems we may have, it expresses also our submission to each other.

Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

(Ephesians 5:21)

#10. A wife trying to control every circumstance shows a lack of faith in GOD and her husband.

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy path. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

#11. Intimacy, contentment and peace were restored to my marriage, by God's grace and mercy, when I started practicing God's principles for marriage and being content in the place where God had placed me, under my husband.

Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.

(1 Corinthians 7:20)

But godliness with contentment is great gain.

(1 Timothy 6:6)

#12. These changes can happen for your marriage when you get the wisdom and understanding from God about how it should work. You can experience the happiness and joy of an intimate, peaceful marriage.

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. (Proverbs 3:13)

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Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.

(Proverbs 4:7)

#13. May the Lord give you the desire to love and surrender to your husband. Only God can cause you to do so.

That he may incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments.

(1 Kings 8:58a)

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