

# Biblical Home Management Love and Submission to Our Own Husbands

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Unless the Lord builds the house,
They labor in vain who build it;
Unless the Lord guards the city,
The watchman keeps awake in vain.

<sup>2</sup> It is vain for you to rise up early,
To retire late, to eat the bread of painful labors;
For He gives to His beloved even in his sleep.
Psalm 127

# I. Time Management

#### A. Personal Time

- Use a Bible reading schedule to keep on track.
- 2. A simple prayer journal works!
- 3. Work on Bible memory.

"The better part! ...there's more? I have to do more? No, comes the answer to my tired heart...It isn't more He requires of us. In fact, it may be less."

Joanna Weaver

Tíme to Refresh	
$\square$	Take a nap, or just rest.
Ø	Plan what you would like to accomplish.
$\square$	Read a good book.
$\square$	Have a time of prayer.
$\square$	Enjoy yourself.

"I am a Mary in the morning, and a Martha the rest of the day!" Author unknown

#### B. Time with Husband

#### C. Children's Schedules

- 1. Consistency
- 2. Don't over schedule your children.
- 3. Routine
- 4. Nap times—even if they don't sleep!

## D. Time with Family

- 1. Have fun.
- 2. Make memories.
- 3. Build loyalty and love.
- 4. Keep their trust and show proper regard for feelings.

#### E. Household Management

- 1. Early rising
- 2. Planning ahead
- 3. Proper Priorities—"Tyranny of the Urgent"
- 4. Eliminate "Time Wasters"

## *F. Ministry to Others*

- Don't wait until your home is perfect to use for others—it may never be perfect!
- 2. Be a blessing to those who need encouragement.
- 3. Send a note or email to someone.

## \*Scriptural Help and Counsel

Ephesians 5:15-16, Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the most of your time, because the days are evil.

Ephesians 2:10, For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

Matthew 11:28-30, "Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. <sup>30</sup> For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

Philippians 4:13, I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

Luke 10:38-42, . . . "Martha, Martha, you are worried and bothered about so many things; <sup>42</sup> but only one thing is necessary, for Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her."

# II. Financial Management

## A. Temperate, self-control

- 1. Keep things simple.
- 2. Be content with what your husband provides.
- 3. Don't compare yourself with others.

"We believe in simplicity of Christian lifestyle (1 Cor. 7:30-31; 2 Cor. 1:12; 2 Tim. 2:4). We encourage our people to live in the world without being of the world, to use the world without abusing it, to possess material things without being possessed by them. We do not encourage a sophisticated knowledge and familiarity with the godless world system in which God has ordained that we live."

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## B. Submissive to Husband's Leading

- 1. Live in a manner worthy of your calling and your husband's provision.
- 2. Know what you have to work with—talk this over with your husband.
- 3. Learn how to shop.
- 4. Make your requests known to God.

## \*Scriptural Help and Counsel

Hebrews 13:5-6. Make sure that your character is free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, "I WILL NEVER DESERT YOU, NOR WILL I EVER FORSAKE YOU," 6 so that we confidently sav. "THE LORD IS MY HELPER. I WILL NOT BE AFRAID. WHAT WILL MAN DO TO ME?"

II Corinthians 9:8, And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed.

I Timothy 3:11, Women must likewise be dignified, not malicious gossips, but temperate, faithful in all things.

Proverbs 31:11-12, The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. 12 She does him good and not evil all the days of her life.

Matthew 6:31-33, "Do not worry then, saying, "What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear for clothing?' 32 For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."



# III. Management of Material Possessions

"The beauty of the house is order;
The blessing of the house is contentment;
The glory of the house is hospitality;
The crown of the house is godliness."

Old German house-motto

\*\*Additional help sheets available by email.

\*Scriptural Help and Counsel

Proverbs 27:23-27, Know well the condition of your flocks, And pay attention to your herds; <sup>24</sup> For riches are not forever, Nor does a crown endure to all generations. <sup>25</sup> When the grass disappears, the new growth is seen, and the herbs of the mountains are gathered in, <sup>26</sup> The lambs will be for your clothing, and the goats will bring the price of a field, <sup>27</sup> And there will be goats' milk enough for your food, for the food of your household, and sustenance for your maidens.

Proverbs 31:10-31

#### VI. Conclusion

She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Proverbs 31:27 (KJV)

Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it. 1 Thessalonians 5:24 (KJV)

# Home Management Resources

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Demoss, Nancy Leigh. *Biblical Womanhood in the Home*Herbster, Julie. "Voices in my Head"
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Mahaney, Carolyn. *Feminine Appeal*.
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Peterson, Margaret Kim. *Keeping House*.
Weaver, Joanna. *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World*.
Wilson, Nancy. *Fruit of Her Hands*.
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