



What does the Bible about “Being a Man”

Eph. 5:23

“For the husband is the **head** of the wife as Christ is the head of the church”

- **A Position, an _____, and a Responsibility**

Eph. 5:25

Love your wives, just as Christ loved the church & gave himself up for her

- **Sacrificially, unconditionally, graciously, generously, _____**

Eph. 5:28-29

... husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they **feed** and **care for** their body, just as Christ does the church (AMP: Nourish, Protect, and Cherish)

- **Feed** indicates the meeting of all _____ needs
- **Protection** would include emotionally, physically, and spiritually
- **Cherish** implies a _____ relationship.

2 Thess. 3:2-4 “he will **strengthen you** and **protect** you from the evil one.”

1 Cor. 13:4-7 Love is patient, kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs, does not delight in evil, rejoices with the truth, protects, trusts, hopes, and perseveres.

1 Timothy 5:8 Anyone who does not **provide** for their relatives, and especially for their own household, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

Psalm 127:3

Children are a **heritage** from the Lord, offspring a **reward** from him.

- **Children are the _____ of Marriage and a blessing**

Deut. 11:18-20

Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. **Teach them to your children**, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates

To be a man, is to provide for and protect those whom God has placed in your life (wife, children, neighbor)

1. How to you provide for and protect your wife?
2. How do you provide for and protect your children?
3. What if I am too young to be married, have kids, or represent my family to the world?
4. What if I never intend to be married?
5. What if I am a widower, and or never had any kids?

Characteristics of a Godly Man?

1. In control of _____, never a slave to it. (Prov 22:7)
2. A sacrificial _____.
No one in the family goes without while Dad has it all.
3. _____ : Honesty, Purity, Naked before God (hiding nothing)
His life demonstrates _____ to his beliefs and ideals
4. An _____ in spiritual matters.
(Church, personal study, managing influences, discipling others, prayer, tithing)
5. His priorities are God, Wife, Kids, Job, and _____ self.

Application:

1. Recognize where you are strong and _____ that strong life muscle.
2. Recognize where you are weak and _____ that live muscle to become strong.
3. Start right where you are, and ask _____ to help you move forward in His strength.
4. Take inventory of who/what influences you, and make sure they are _____.