

MANHOOD AND WOMANHOOD THE ROLE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE IN MARRIAGE

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1. THE DEFINITION OF A MALE: (*ZAKAR /ZAW·KAWR/*)

One who was created by God as a material and immaterial being, with a unique DNA, 1X chromosome, and the physical distinctive of a penis and testicles for a particular function and purpose in the culture alongside and distinct from a female (woman) and all other creations of God. (Genesis 1:27)

A. (In most cases men are born with a penis and women are born with a vagina. In the event there is either a void of or having addition to his normal sexual organs, a chromosome test should verify his gender.)

2. THE DEFINITION OF MANHOOD: (*ANDRÍZOMAI* [TO ACT MANLY])

the mindset, manner, and movement
that correspond distinctly to a male in
form and function. (1Corinthians
16:13)

A. Manhood is also tied to men who develop to the fullness of their being in courage- the mental and moral strength to resist opposition, handle danger, or endure hardship while operating in a mindset, manner and movement that is distinctly male, glorifying to God and beneficial to

A. (cont.) others; to have firmness of mind and will in the face of danger or extreme difficulty while operating in a mindset, manner and movement that is distinctly male, glorifying to God and beneficial to others (1Corinthians 16:13).

3. THE DUTIES OF A MALE:

The duties of a male correspond with how He was created by God from the beginning to function: (Genesis 1:26-30, 2:15)

A. Men are responsible for taking the lead in *procreation on earth*-giving life through his seed to his wife only, to carry that life to birth so that mankind would reflect the character of God throughout the earth. (Genesis 1:26-30)

B. Men are responsible for taking the lead in *subduing the earth* to govern the earth i.e. stewardship, management, control, and order according to the will of God. (Genesis 2:15,19-20, 1:26-30)

C. Men are responsible for taking the lead in *dominion of the earth*- being a servant leader over creation resulting exercising his authority, influence, and strength, over creation and all who fall under his leadership for the glory of God and the good of creation (Genesis 2:15, 19-20 1:26-30).

D. In essence men are to procreate with spouse only, govern within the realm of authority, influence and strength given by God, and lead within the realm of authority, influence, and strength given by God. (Genesis 2:15, 1:26-30, 1 Corinthians 11:1-3)

4. THE DISCIPLINES OF MANHOOD:

Man's primary goal is not to relax; Man's primary goal is to work, for the glory of God. Men were not called to follow the world's order but set things in order in all aspects of life to the Glory of God and the benefit of mankind. Therefore, it is prudent for man to learn, live, and discipline himself around the Precepts and Plans of God.


The Practice of a Husband in Marriage

I. Husbands are to love their wives (Ephesians 5:25-30)

A. Meaning—to self sacrifice for the benefit, provision, welfare of his wife in all aspects of her life (Ephesians 5:25-31).

B. Member—to his wife
(Ephesians 5:25-31).

C. Manner—as Christ loved the Church
(Ephesians 5:25-31).



D. Motive—to help her to become Holy/Blameless; that she may function according to God's design (Ephesians 5:25-31).

E. Magnitude—to death (1John 3:16-18).

F. Manifestation—considering her interest, concerns, needs, desires, and making sure they are taken care of in the way that Christ would do it for the Church; relating with her socially, spiritually, emotionally, and sexually in a manner that benefits her and reflects the character of Christ;

compensating for her weaknesses in ways that Christ would do it for the Church; leading and guiding her into spiritual maturity, helping her to be all of what God designed her to be in the way that Christ would do it for the Church; leading your wife as Christ would lead the Church in all aspects of the marriage
(1 Peter 3:7, 1 Corinthians 7:33).

Implications for Men

- Men must manage the *people* within the garden God has placed them according to the commands of God.

- Men must maintain and manage the *possessions* within the garden God has placed them according to the commands of God.

- Men must maintain and manage the *property* within the garden God has placed them according to the commands of God.

- Men must disengage from *perpetrators* that keep them from functioning within their God-given roles as commanded by God.

- Men must distrust *perspectives* that keep them from functioning within their God-given roles as commanded by God.

- Men must deny *passions* that keep them from functioning within their God-given roles as commanded by God.

5. THE DEFINITION OF A FEMALE:
[NÂQEBAH /NEK·AY·BAW/]

One who was created by God as a material and immaterial being, with a unique DNA, 2x chromosome, and the physical distinctive of a vagina, womb, ovaries and uterus for a particular function and purpose in the culture alongside and distinct from a male and all other creations of God. (Genesis 1:27)

A. In most cases men are born with a penis and women are born with a vagina. In the event the either there is a void of or having addition to her normal sexual organs, a chromosome test should verify her gender.

6. THE DEFINITION OF WOMANHOOD:

The mindset, manner, and movement that all females were distinctly created and called by God to function in all aspects of life. (Genesis 2:18)

7. THE DUTIES OF A FEMALE: *EZER KENEGDO*

ézer kenegdo – A helper who is like a male or who is comparable in essence/being only – Gen. 2:18

The duties of a female correspond with how she was created by God from the beginning to function: (Genesis 2:18)

A. Women are responsible for supporting men in *procreation on earth*- carrying the life implanted through the seed of her husband to birth so that mankind would reflect the character of God throughout the earth. (Genesis 1:26-30)

B. Women are responsible for supporting men in subduing the earth- support men in governing the earth i.e. stewardship, management, control, and order according to the will of God.(Genesis 2:15,19-20, 1:26-30)

C. Women are responsible for supporting men in *dominion of the earth*- supporting men in the overseeing of the earth (Genesis 2:15, 19-20 1:26-30)

D. In essence women are to procreate with spouse only, support men and submit to men in the governance and leadership of creation within realm of their influence and position to the glory of God and the good of mankind (Genesis 2:15, 1:26-30, 1 Corinthians 11:1-3).

8. THE DISCIPLINES OF WOMANHOOD:

A women was not designed to take a man's place but to work alongside a man. A woman is to operate in such a manner whereby her talents, gifts, abilities corresponds or complements male headship. She is not operate in manner whereby she seeks to replace or be co-equal to male headship. Therefore, it is prudent for a woman to learn, live, and discipline herself around the Precepts and Plans of God. (Genesis 1:27, 2:18, 1Corinthians 11:1-3, Proverbs 14:8)

The Practice of A Wife in Marriage

I. Wives are to submit to their husbands (Ephesians 5:22-24)

A. Meaning—to willingly follow the leadership of your husband; to willingly follow the instructions of your husband (Ephesians 5:22-24).

B. Member—to her own husband
(1Peter 3:1-6).

C. Manner—as the Church submits to Christ the Lord; as if she were responding to Jesus Christ Himself (Ephesians 5:22-24).

D. Motive—out of respect for God's design (Ephesians 5:22-24).

E. Magnitude—in everything that is not
sin including Preferences
(Ephesians 5:22-24).

F. Manifestation—following her husband's leadership and directives in all that she does in the home and outside the home as unto the Lord; following her husband's leadership and directives in the raising of the children as unto the Lord;

showing respect to her husband in all aspects of the marriage as unto the Lord; managing their home in ways that are in line with her husband's leadership and directives as unto the Lord; listening to and following through on the things that concern her husband that have been requested of her as unto the Lord (Titus 2:3-5, Proverbs 31:10-31, 1 Corinthians 7:34, 1 Peter 3:1-6).

Implications for Women

- Women must *delight* in their position as coheirs with men before the throne of God.

- Women must *develop* in the precepts of God in relation to all that God has for women to do in their position and practice established for them through the creation order.

- Women must be *disciplined* in their practice of functioning within the role that God established through the creation order.

- Women must *dismiss* the perspective that they are less than men because of the role God established for them through the creation order.

- Women must be *devoted* to promoting their position and their practice ordained by God to other women so that God may be glorified through their position and practice.

- Women must *discover* the pleasure that God brings to their lives as a result of living within the created order of God.

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