

GOD IN THE FAMILY LIFE OF MAN - MAKING THE HOME

Every person is interested in building a happy home of his own. Proverbs has a great deal to say about the requirements for establishing a happy home. Read the following to see what these requirements are:

A. Various Types of Women in the Home:

1. What kind of woman could establish a good home?
 - a. Proverbs 12:4a _____
 - b. Proverbs 11:16a _____
 - c. Proverbs 14:1a _____
2. What kind of woman might be very attractive and yet not be a good home-maker?
 - a. Proverbs 31:30a _____
 - b. Proverbs 11:22 _____
3. What kind of woman would definitely be a hindrance in establishing a home?
 - a. Proverbs 27:16 _____
 - b. Proverbs 21:19b _____
 - c. Proverbs 21:9 _____
 - d. Proverbs 14:1b _____
 - e. Proverbs 12:4b _____

B. Description of the Good Home-Maker: Read carefully Proverbs 31:10-31, and then answer the following:

1. How does the good home-maker spend her days? Proverbs 31:13b, 27b

2. What are her hours of work? Proverbs 31:15a, 18b

3. In one word each, name five of her main tasks: Proverbs 31:13, 19, 22, 14-15, 16a, 24, 16b

4. What does she have that makes such work possible? Proverbs 31:17, 25a

5. How does she feel about the future? Why? Proverbs 31:21

6. How does she treat the following?
 - a. Her husband: Proverbs 31:12 _____
 - b. Her household: Proverbs 31:27a, 15 _____
 - c. Those less fortunate than she is: Proverbs 31:20 _____
7. What do the following think of her as a result?
 - a. Her husband: Proverbs 31:11a, 28b _____
 - b. Her children: Proverbs 31:28a _____
 - c. The community: Proverbs 31:31, 23 _____

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8. What is the one great secret of her success as a home-maker? Proverbs 31:30b
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C. The Husband's Part in Making a Happy Home:

1. What must a young man realize before he will want to establish his own home?
Proverbs 18:22
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2. How should a young man go about finding a wife? Proverbs 19:14
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3. What is the young man's responsibility toward the woman he chooses as his wife?
Proverbs 5:15-20
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4. What will help him to carry out this responsibility? Proverbs 5:21
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QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Am I right now the kind of person who would make a good wife or husband? Proverbs 31:30.
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2. Am I putting God first in my plans for establishing a home? See Matthew 6:33
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