

BIBLICAL MANHOOD

Embracing God's Unique Design for Men

What is God's design for husbands?

- Husbands are to love their wife as Christ loved the church. (Ephesians 5:25)
- Husbands are to remain faithful to their wife. (1 Corinthians 7:1-40)
- Husbands are to leave father and mother and join to their wife. (Ephesians 5:31)
- Husbands are to honor their wife. (1 Peter 3:7)
- Husbands are to be kind to their wife. (Colossians 3:19)
- Husbands are to fulfill their role as spiritual leader and protector. (Ephesians 5:23; 1 Corinthians 11:3)
- Husbands are to provide for their home and family. (1 Timothy 5:8; Proverbs 13:22a)
- Husbands are to live joyfully with their wife. (Ecclesiastes 9:9)

What is God's design for fathers?

- Fathers are to model what it means to fear the Lord. (Proverbs 14:26)
- Fathers are to lead their family by keeping God at the center. (Joshua 24:15)
- Fathers are to model and continually teach their children to love God completely. (Deuteronomy 6:6-9)
- Fathers are to treat their children as a blessing from God. (Psalm 127:3-5)
- Fathers are to walk with integrity. (Proverbs 20:7)
- Fathers are to teach their children God's way and provide a biblical worldview. (Proverbs 22:6)
- Fathers are to discipline their children in love. (Proverbs 3:11-12)
- Fathers are to show compassion to their children. (Psalm 103:13)
- Fathers are to encourage and exhort their children. (1 Thessalonians 2:11-12)
- Fathers are not to provoke their children. (Ephesians 6:4)

What is God's design for men in general?

Godly men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, sound in love, and steadfast. (Titus 2:1-15)

Recommended Resources

www.fatherhoodcomission.com

www.authenticmanhood.com

www.cbmw.org (Council for Biblical Manhood and Womanhood)

The Quest for Authentic Manhood, Robert Lewis

50 Crucial Questions: An Overview of Central Concerns about Manhood and Womanhood,
John Piper & Wayne Grudem

BIBLICAL WOMANHOOD

Embracing God's Unique Design for Women

What is God's design for wives?

- Wives are to love their husband. (Titus 2:4)
- Wives are to care for the home and be submissive to their husband. (Ephesians 5:22-24; Titus 2:5)
- Wives are to respect their husband. (Ephesians 5:33)
- Wives are to train the next generation of women in God's design. (Titus 2:4-5)
- Wives are to be trustworthy. (Proverbs 31:11)
- Wives are to do their husband good and not harm. (Proverbs 31:12)

What is God's design for mothers?

- Mothers are to comfort and nurture their children. (1 Thessalonians 2:7)
- Mothers are to continually teach their children the Bible. (Deuteronomy 6:6-9)
- Mothers are to teach their children a biblical worldview. (Proverbs 6:20-21)
- Mothers are to discipline their children with love and in love. (Proverbs 29:15)
- Mothers are to train the next generation of wives and mothers. (Titus 2:4-5)
- Mothers are to love their kids. (Titus 2:4)

What is God's design for men in general?

Godly women are to be strong and dignified, facing the future with confidence, and teaching wisdom and kindness in the fear of the Lord. (Proverbs 31:25, 26, 30)

Recommended Resources

True Woman 101: Divine Design, Mary A. Kassian & Nancy Leigh DeMoss

The Feminist Mistake: The Radical Impact of Feminism on Church and Culture, Mary Kassian

Recovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood: A Response to Evangelical Feminism, John Piper & Wayne Grudem

God's Design for Women in an Age of Gender Confusion, Sharon James