



## WHAT IS GOD'S DESIGN FOR MEN IN GENERAL?

A godly man is to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, sound in love, and steadfast. (Titus 2:1-15)

## WHAT IS GOD'S DESIGN FOR HUSBANDS?

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

## WHAT IS GOD'S DESIGN FOR FATHERS?

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

## RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

1. [fatherhoodcommission.com](http://fatherhoodcommission.com)
2. [authenticmanhood.com](http://authenticmanhood.com)
3. [cbmw.org](http://cbmw.org) (Council for Biblical Manhood and Womanhood)
4. *The Quest for Authentic Manhood*, Robert Lewis
5. *50 Crucial Questions: An Overview of Central Concerns about Manhood and Womanhood*, John Piper & Wayne Grudem