

# 8 WAYS TO LOVE YOUR HUSBAND



## 1. Submit to your husband

- a. Support your husband in his decision making.
- b. Don't question your husband when he makes the final decision.
- c. If your husband makes the wrong decision, don't rub it in his face.
- d. Follow your husband with a sincere attitude. (When a crisis arises, your husband needs to be safe in the knowledge that you're going to support him.)
- e. Don't withhold your love from your husband when he asks it from you.

## 2. Consider your husband's design

- a. When you need encouragement and counsel go to your godly husband. Your husband needs to feel that he is needed, and you can trust his God-Given counsel.
- b. God created the man to be the head of the home; you must not hinder his leadership, but rather let him play the man and give him the support he needs.
- c. Don't be independent and make decisions without your husband. Don't have your own agenda (Marriages today are failing because of the fifty-fifty business. A marriage is a 100% business; working as a team with the husband taking the lead.)
- d. You are to complement and complete your husband; so, your husband should value your input, and make decisions based upon your contribution.

## 3. Consider your husband's feelings

- a. Encourage your husband when you see that he is down or going through a critical moment. Don't abandon your husband when he is discouraged. (Job's wife discouraged her husband, and gave him no empathy. Job's wife failed to realize what he was going through and used her tongue to break him down.)
- b. Don't give your husband the impression that he is useless, and that he is not good enough. (This impression can be given to your husband by being silent, and giving him the cold shoulder.)

## 4. Care for your husband

- a. The Proverbs 31 woman made sure her household was in order, the needs of her house were made ready, the children were taken care of and the husband was looked after. (Her husband had nothing to worry about; he had the liberty to lead by love because he knew his wife played her part.)
- b. Confront your husband when he gets into the flesh; your husband has blind spots, and, as the completer, you need to help him by pointing them out to him. (Make sure this is done in a good spirit and soft voice. Don't take this time to make known all seven fleshly attitudes and nag him everyday about them; but rather seek God's timing by prayer and address him one by one as the Spirit leads you)
- c. You are your husband's completer and helpmeet. Don't think your husband is perfect and is not going to fail in some areas; rather pray for him when he does - support him and care for him.

## 5. Be faithful to your husband

- a. Don't flirt with other men. (Don't get in the flesh and make your husband jealous on purpose; God will never bless that)
- b. Don't compare your husband to other men. (The last thing you ever want to say to your husband is, "Why can't you be like such and such?")

## 6. Appreciate your husband

- a. From time to time remind your husband that you appreciate him; let your husband know how much he means to you.
- b. Show your husband loving manners when he does something for you. (Thank you, etc.)

## 7. Respect your husband

- a. Accept your husband just as he is; his physical appearance, his performance, his achievements, and his character.
- b. Never tease your husband or make fun of him; this includes joking around, especially about his leadership.
- c. Use kind words when you talk with your husband; never be rude to him, especially in front of others.

## 8. Be more open with your husband

- a. Don't make your husband guess if there is anything wrong with you, just tell him. (Some women expect their husbands to know what they are feeling.)
- b. If your husband is beginning to neglect you, just tell him.
- c. Don't manipulate your husband (Don't act in a certain way to get your husband's attention; just communicate to him your feelings, and needs.)
- d. Don't test your husband by asking him questions that are manipulative; just be open and honest with him.

**Note:** In order for a woman to love and submit to her husband, she needs to give herself to him sacrificially. In order for her to love and submit to her husband consistently and faithfully (especially two years after pledging her vows to him on the marriage altar) she needs to walk in the Spirit and have the grace of God in her life. In order for her to have that, her walk with God needs to be first and foremost.

**Ecclesiastes 12:13** "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man."

If a woman will fear God and keep his commandments, then she will fearfully keep the command which the Lord gives in **Ephesians 5:22** "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord."

**Proverbs 31:30** "Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised."

**Statement:** "Show me a woman that walks in the fear of the Lord and obeys Him, and I'll show you a woman who like the Proverb 31 woman will love and submit to her husband unto death."