

God's Blueprint For The Home

Lesson 1: God Has A Blueprint For The Home

How is the word "home" being used in this study?

1. God Created The Home

How did God create man?

How did God create woman?

What did God do to them?

Why does God have authority over the home? Why is God's authority over the home important?

2. God Created The Home For A Purpose

Why was the home necessary?

What is the physical purpose for the home?

What is the spiritual purpose for the home?

3. God's Blueprint Is Perfect

Has God made any mistakes in creating and designing the home?

How has God perfectly designed marriage?

How has God perfectly designed the roles in the home?

Why does every attempt to change the home fail?

What is the single greatest piece of advice that can be given on the subject of the home?

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Lesson 2: God's Blueprint For Love In The Home

What does it mean to "love"?

1. God Commands Love In The Home

Where does God command love between husband and wife?

Where does God command love between parents and children?

Where does God command love for God?

Where does God command love for all people?

2. The Importance Of Love In The Home

How does love result in fulfilling responsibilities?

How does love hold families together?

How does love result in pleasing God?

3. The Quality Of Love God Commands In The Home

How many kinds of "love" did the Greeks recognize? What is the highest form of love?

Who is the perfect example of love? What can you learn from His love?

Briefly discuss the following actions of love (1 Corinthians 13:4-7, based on the *New King James Version*).

(1) Love suffers long –

(2) Love is kind –

(3) Love does not envy –

(4) Love does not parade itself and is not puffed up –

(5) Love does not behave rudely –

(6) Love does not seek its own –

(7) Love is not provoked –

(8) Love thinks no evil –

(9) Love does not rejoice in iniquity –

(10) Love rejoices in truth –

(11) Love bears all things –

(12) Love believes all things –

(13) Love believes all things –

(14) Love endures all things –

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Lesson 3: God's Blueprint For Marriage

How is Satan trying to destroy marriages?

1. The Permanence Of Marriage

How is marriage a "covenant"?

Explain how God binds two people together. How long does this bond last?

Does God approve of divorce for just any cause?

2. Mutual Physical Responsibilities In Marriage

What is the responsibility for husband and wife to love each other?

What is the responsibility for husband and wife to live as one flesh?

What is the responsibility for husband and wife to leave father and mother?

What is the responsibility for husband and wife to be faithful to one another?

What is the responsibility for husband and wife to fulfill their God-given roles?

3. Mutual Spiritual Responsibilities In Marriage

What is the responsibility for the husband and wife to teach one another?

What is the responsibility for the husband and wife to encourage one another?

What is the responsibility for the husband and wife to bear each other's burdens?

What is the responsibility for the husband and wife to correct one another?

What is the responsibility for the husband and wife to pray for one another?

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Lesson 4: God's Blueprint For The Husband And Father

How is Satan trying to destroy the role of the husband and father in the home?

1. The Man Is The Head Of The Home

Who has given the man this role? Provide evidence for your answer.

What kind of leadership must the husband and father provide for the home?

How does this leadership involve physical leadership?

How does this leadership involve spiritual leadership?

How is time so important to this leadership?

2. The Husband As Head Of His Wife

Explain the husband's responsibility to love his wife.

Explain the husband's responsibility to work to provide for his wife.

Explain the husband's responsibility dwell with his wife in an understanding way.

Explain the husband's responsibility to show his wife honor.

3. The Father As Head Of His Children

Explain the father's responsibility to provide for his children's needs.

Explain the father's responsibility to provide instruction for his children.

Explain the father's responsibility to provide loving discipline for his children.

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Lesson 5: God's Blueprint For The Wife And Mother

How is Satan trying to destroy the role of the wife and other in the home?

1. The Virtuous Woman

Describe the virtuous woman of Proverbs 31:

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*Verse 11 –

*Verse 12 –

*Verse 13 –

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*Verse 16 –

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*Verse 29 –

*Verse 30 –

*Verse 31 –

What applications can you make from this text? Is it possible for women today to be this virtuous woman?

2. The Virtuous Woman As Wife

Explain the wife's responsibility to live as a "help meet."

Explain the wife's responsibility to love her husband.

Explain the wife's responsibility to submit to her husband.

Explain the wife's responsibility to respect her husband.

Explain the wife's responsibility to be the keeper of the home.

3. The Virtuous Woman As Mother

Explain the woman's responsibility to bear children.

Explain the mother's responsibility to love her children.

Explain the mother's responsibility to train her children.

Explain the mother's responsibility to be a homemaker for her children.

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Lesson 6: God's Blueprint For Children

How is Satan trying to destroy the next generation by convincing children not to fulfill their role in the home?

1. Wise Children

What does Proverbs 13:1 teach about wise children?

What does Proverbs 1:8-9 teach about wise children?

What does Proverbs 4:1-9 teach about wise children?

What does Proverbs 6:20-25 teach about wise children?

What does Proverbs 15:5 teach about wise children?

What does Proverbs 23:22 teach about wise children?

2. The Responsibility Of Wise Children Toward Their Parents

Explain the child's responsibility to obey his/her parents.

Explain the child's responsibility to honor his/her parents.

Explain the child's responsibility to learn from his/her parents.

Explain the child's responsibility to repay his/her parents

3. The Responsibility Of Wise Children Toward Their Heavenly Father

Explain the child's responsibility to remember his/her Heavenly Father.

Explain the child's responsibility to fear his/her Heavenly Father.

Explain the child's responsibility to keep the commandments of his/her Heavenly Father.

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Lesson 7: God's Blueprint For Raising Children

How is Satan trying to destroy the next generation by getting parents to fail in their responsibilities?

1. Train Up A Child

Why must children be trained?

In what way must parents train their children? Give some specific examples.

What will often be the result of this kind of training? Is this a guarantee?

2. Train Up A Child By Example

How do children often follow the example of their parents?

How are parents like shepherds of their children (especially fathers)?

Explain how parents must let their lights shine for their children.

3. Train Up A Child By Instruction

Why does instruction take knowledge?

How does instruction take time?

How does instruction take patience?

How does instruction take wisdom?

4. Train Up A Child By Discipline

How is exercising no discipline a failure?

How is exercising too much discipline a failure?

How can proper balance be achieved?

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Lesson 8: God's Blueprint For Character In The Home

How does Satan destroy homes by attacking the character of each member?

1. God-Shaped Character

What illustration is used in Jeremiah 18? How is this a fitting illustration of what God wants from you today?

How will God shape your character by His word?

How will God shape your character by the life of Christ?

How will God shape your character by God's holiness?

2. Eliminating The Sin That Destroys

Explain the sin Romans 1:28-32 identifies and how it negatively impacts the family.

Explain the sin Galatians 5:19-21 identifies and how it negatively impacts the family.

3. Being Clothed With Righteousness

Explain the righteousness Galatians 5:22-24 identifies and how it positively impacts the family.

Explain the righteousness Ephesians 4:17-5:21 identifies and how it positively impacts the family.

Explain the righteousness Matthew 5-7 identifies and how it positively impacts the family.

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Lesson 9: God's Blueprint For Communication In The Home

How does Satan destroy homes through the way people communicate?

1. Keys To Effective Communication

What is the need for a holy messenger to effective communication?

What is the need for a holy receiver to effective communication?

What is the need for a holy message to effective communication?

2. Effective Communication And The Power Of The Tongue

What is the difficulty involved in controlling the tongue?

What is the powerful nature of the tongue relative to its size?

Why can you not trust the tongue?

Why do you need to prevent your tongue from engaging in blessing and cursing?

Where do your words come from and why are your words so important?

3. Effective Communication Eliminates Destructive Messages

What are corrupt words and why should they be eliminated?

What are angry words and why should they be eliminated?

What are fighting words and why should they be eliminated?

What are crushing words and why should they be eliminated?

4. Effective Communication Harnesses Righteous Messages

What are edifying words and why should they be used?

What are true words and why should they be used?

What are calm words and why should they be used?

What are carefully chosen words and why should they be used?

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Lesson 10: God's Blueprint For Money In The Home

How does Satan destroy homes through money and finances?

1. A God-Shaped View Of Money

How is money a gift from God?

What connection does God teach should exist between money and work?

How are you a steward of your money?

How is godliness with contentment great gain?

Why is it important to give and be selfless with your money?

What is the proper perspective you need to keep money in?

2. God-Shaped Financial Priorities For The Home

Why is it important to be united in handling money God's way?

What is the importance of working to earn a living and support your family?

Why is it necessary to give back to God?

Why should you save and be prepared for the future?

Why should you live within your means?

3. Training Children To Handle Money God's Way

Why should you train your children to work?

Why should you train your children to give first?

Why should you train your children to save?

Why should you train your children to live within their means?

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Lesson 11: God's Blueprint For Solving Conflict In The Home

How does Satan try to use conflict to destroy the home?

1. Determine To Seek Reconciliation

Why should you *not* ignore the conflict that exists?

What should you do if the conflict is because someone has something against you?

What should you do if the conflict is because someone has sinned against you?

2. Determine To Do Your Part

How will being humble help you solve conflict?

How will being sacrificial help you solve conflict?

How will being peaceful help you solve conflict?

How will being Christ-like help you solve conflict?

3. Determine To Pursue Unity In Truth

Why is it important to maintain the unity of the Spirit?

Why is it important to seek wise counsel?

Why is it important to bear with one another's weaknesses?

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Lesson 12: God's Blueprint For Restoring Broken Homes

How has Satan broken many homes?

1. Restore Righteousness

How is putting off the old man important to restoring a broken home?

How is putting on the new man important to restoring a broken home?

2. Restore Marriage

How is eliminating fornication important to restoring a broken home?

How is eliminating homosexuality important to restoring a broken home?

How is eliminating adultery important to restoring a broken home?

3. Restore Order

How is restoring the order for a husband and father important to restoring a broken home?

How is restoring the order for a wife and mother important to restoring a broken home?

How is restoring the order for children important to restoring a broken home?

4. Restore Trust

How is experiencing godly sorrow important to restoring a broken home?

How is sincerely repenting important to restoring a broken home?

How is seeking God's forgiveness important to restoring a broken home?

How is confessing your sin to others important to restoring a broken home?

How is producing the fruit of repentance important to restoring a broken home?

5. Restore Forgiveness

How is forgiveness important to restoring a broken home?

How is true forgiveness patterned after God important to restoring a broken home?

How is pressing forward important to restoring a broken home?