

A group of people are seated at a dining table in a restaurant. The table is set with various dishes, including a large bowl of dumplings, a glass of wine, and a bottle of beer. The lighting is warm and ambient, creating a cozy atmosphere. The background shows other diners and the interior of the restaurant.

Glorify the Creator

Titus 2:1-5

*“The Role of the Wife in
Glorifying the Creator”*

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Titus 2:1 But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:

2 That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.

3 The aged women likewise, that *they be* in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;

4 That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,

5 *To be* discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

Review

- Marriage, Scripturally defined, is the union of one man and one woman, for God's glory.

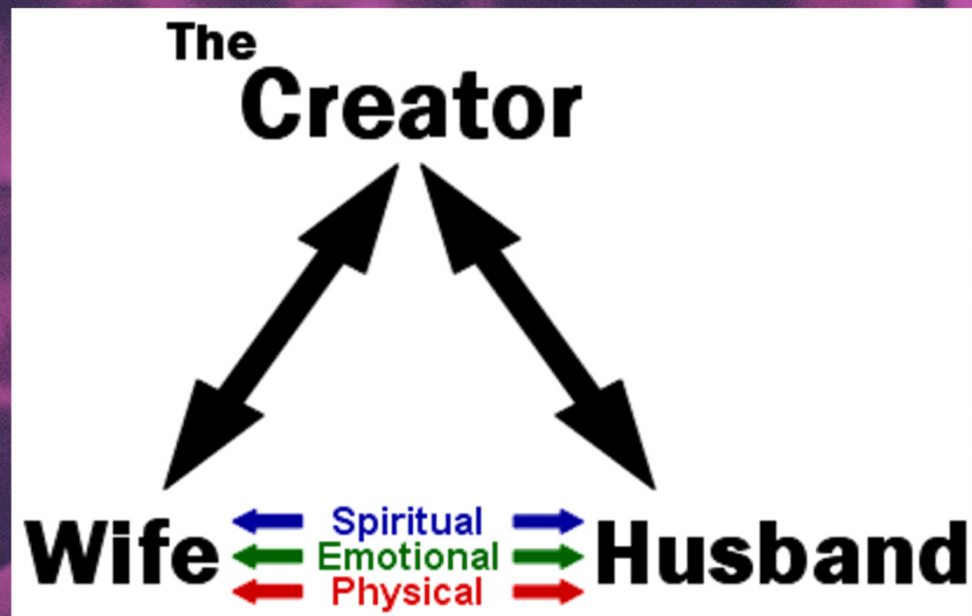
I. THE ROLE OF MARRIAGE IS TO GLORIFY THE CREATOR

- A. Marriage was Designed for Companionship
 - B. Marriage was Designed with Complementarity
 - C. Marriage was Designed for Conclusiveness
- God's order of relationship = God first; mate second; children third, ministry and career must always follow after.

1. A husband

2. A wife

3. God.



II. THE ROLE OF THE HUSBAND TO GLORIFY THE CREATOR

A. CHOOSE A MATE

B. CULTIVATE A MARRIAGE

1. Work out a Plan

Eph. 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

- Love your wife enough to be the godly leader she needs and deserves.
- Take the initiative to follow Scriptural principles:
 - Read your Bible.
 - Pray
 - Witness
 - Attend church faithfully
 - Tithe
 - Serve
 - Live for Christ – DAILY!

2. Work the Plan

C. CORRECT ANY MISTAKES

1. Anticipate the Challenges

- Marriage is a marathon – develop the mentality to be in it for the long-run, for life.

2. Address the Conflict

D. COMMUNICATE THE MESSAGE

Eph. 5:32 **This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.**

E. CONTINUE THE MISSION

B = “be committed”

L = “lovingly touch”

E = “express value”

S = “see potential”

S = “say it”

Eph. 4:29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is **good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.**

Being a godly husband means to be a “blessing” to your wife!


Being a godly wife has many similar characteristics that it takes to be a godly husband, but there are also different challenges. Should a wife be concerned about “complementarianism” or “egalitarianism”? What does the Bible say?



DEFINING THE DEBATE

Complementarianism – The belief that a husband should be the spiritual head of his family, and that husband and wife will have different and complementary roles in their marriage.

Egalitarianism – The belief that there are no separate gender roles in marriage, and that husband and wife will lead the family collaboratively.



The Bible teaches “complementarianism.” A Christian woman that loves the Lord should want to do that which pleases Him.

The Bible gives specific duties for the wife. Let’s begin looking at them.

III. THE ROLE OF THE WIFE IN GLORIFYING THE CREATOR

A. The Responsibility of the Aged Women, Titus 2:3

Titus 2:3 directs the older women to have “...behaviour as becometh holiness...” in order to teach younger women about the role of a godly wife.

Original Word: κατάστημα,

Transliteration: katastéma

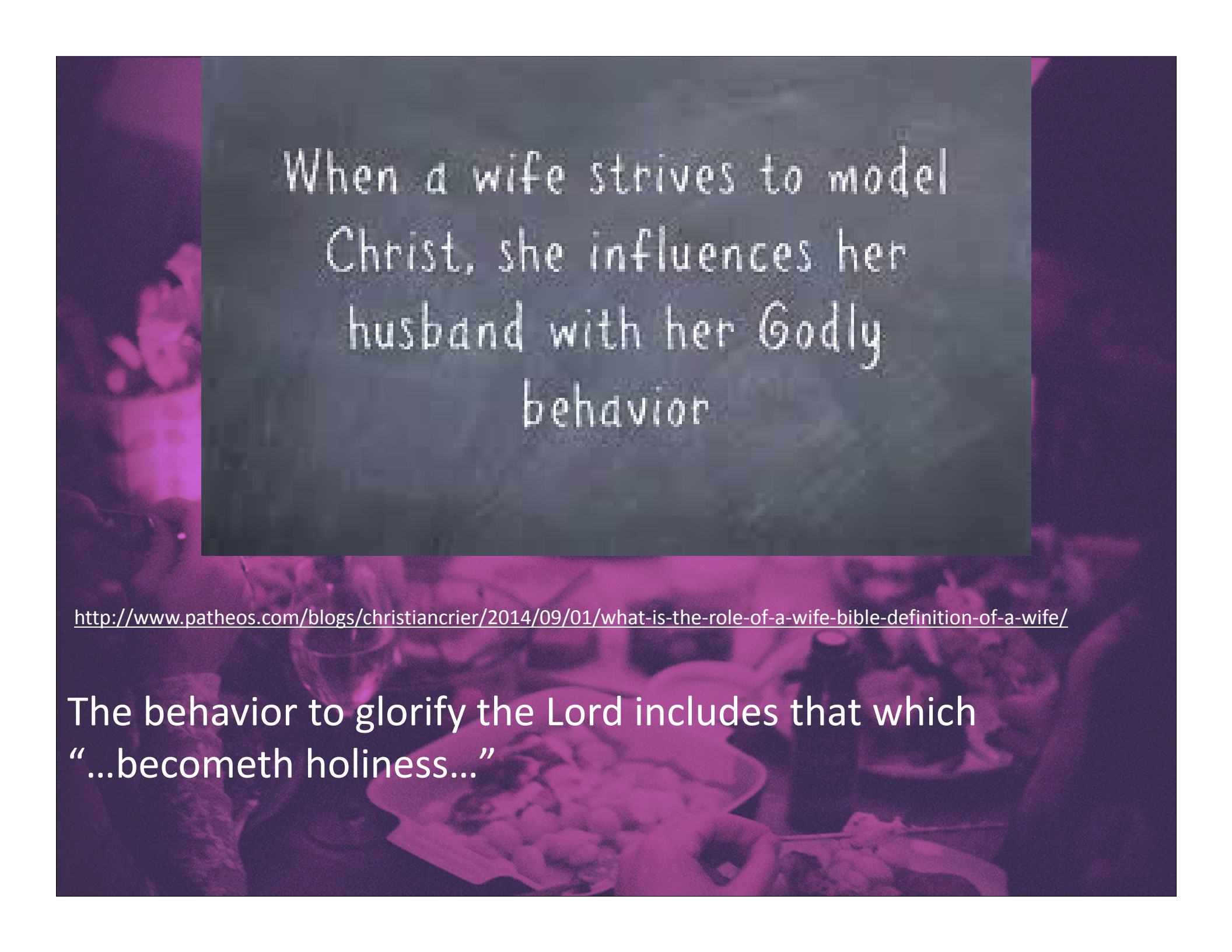
Definition: **behavior**, conduct, deportment, demeanor.

katástēma (from *katá*, "down, exactly according to," intensifying *hístēmi*, "stand") – properly, stand *down*, referring to what is *established*, i.e. settled *according to a fixed, exact design* (used only in Titus 2:3).

***katástēma* ("settled-lifestyle") refers to a believer exemplifying enduring qualities that specifically (exactly) glorify the Lord.**

[(*katástēma*) primarily refers to a "condition, state, of the body, etc., hence *demeanor*"]

<http://biblehub.com/greek/2688.htm>



When a wife strives to model
Christ, she influences her
husband with her Godly
behavior

<http://www.patheos.com/blogs/christiancrier/2014/09/01/what-is-the-role-of-a-wife-bible-definition-of-a-wife/>

The behavior to glorify the Lord includes that which
“...becometh holiness...”

Original Word: ἱεροπρεπής

Transliteration: hieroprepés

Definition: suitable to a sacred character, reverent.

hieroprepḗss (from *hieron*, "a sacred place, a temple," and *prépō*, "fitting") – "befitting men, places, actions, or things sacred to God, reverent" (K. Wuest); "**suited to a sacred character, reverend**" (*Abbott-Smith*).

<http://biblehub.com/greek/2412.htm>

Such behavior that "becometh holiness" is "...not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;"

“not false accusers”

Original Word: διάβολος

Transliteration: diabolos

Definition: (adj. used often as a noun), slanderous; with the article: the Slanderer (par excellence), the Devil.

diábolos (from *diabállō*, "to slander, accuse, defame") – properly, a slanderer; a *false accuser*; unjustly criticizing to *hurt (malign)* and *condemn to sever a relationship*.

[(*diábolos*) is the root of the English word, "Devil" (see also *Webster's Dictionary*)

(*diabolos*) in *secular* Greek means "backbiter," i.e. an accuser, calumniator (slanderer). (*diábolos*) is literally someone who "*casts through*," i.e. making charges that bring down (destroy). Satan is *used* by God in this plan – as a predictable wind-up toy, playing out his evil nature.] <http://biblehub.com/greek/1228.htm>

“not given to much wine”

Original Word: δουλόω

Transliteration: doulóō

Definition: I enslave.

doulóō – *enslave* (passive, "become enslaved"), focusing on the status of being a bond-slave. In contrast to the other verb-form of the same root (*douleúō*), *doulóō* stresses the *results* (effects) of enslavement. That is, what automatically goes with *belonging to another*. <http://biblehub.com/greek/1402.htm>

“teachers of good things;”

Original Word: καλοδιδάσκαλος

Transliteration: kalodidaskalos

Definition: a teacher of that which is noble (honorable) and good.

kalodidáskalos (from *kalós*, "attractively good" and *didáskalos*, "a teacher") – **properly, a teacher sharing what is honorable and noble – literally, "a teacher of winsome goodness."**

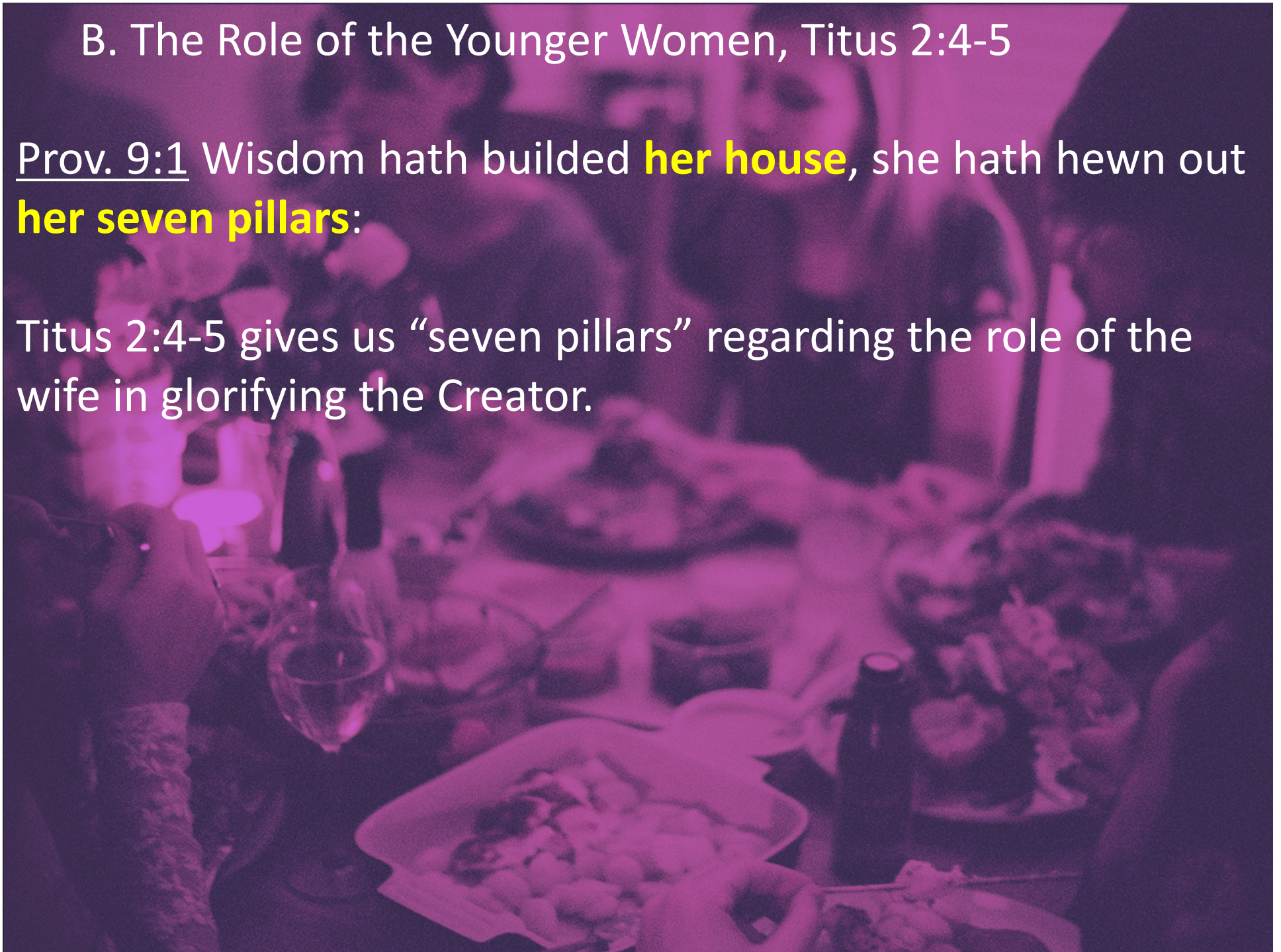
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- A good woman, with a sweet spirit, is needed in order to teach good things for the younger women to also have a sweet spirit.
- The “good things” are the focus for the younger women.

B. The Role of the Younger Women, Titus 2:4-5

Prov. 9:1 Wisdom hath builded **her house**, she hath hewn out **her seven pillars**:

Titus 2:4-5 gives us “seven pillars” regarding the role of the wife in glorifying the Creator.



Conclusion

Prov. 9:1 Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out **her seven pillars:**

1. The Pillar of Conscience – “...to be sober...”
2. The Pillar of Complementarity – “...to love their husbands...”
3. The Pillar of Compassion – “...to love their children...”
4. The Pillar of Conduct – “...discreet, chaste...”
5. The Pillar of Caretaking – “...keepers at home...”
6. The Pillar of Character – “...good...”
7. The Pillar of Compliance – “...obedient to their own husbands...”

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PROVERBS 31:10

<https://quotess.net/love/quotes-about-love-how-to-be-a-godly-woman/> <https://www.pinterest.co.uk/tyneal88/single-lady-quotes/>

1 Tim. 5:14 I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, **guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.**

Original Word: σωφρονίζ

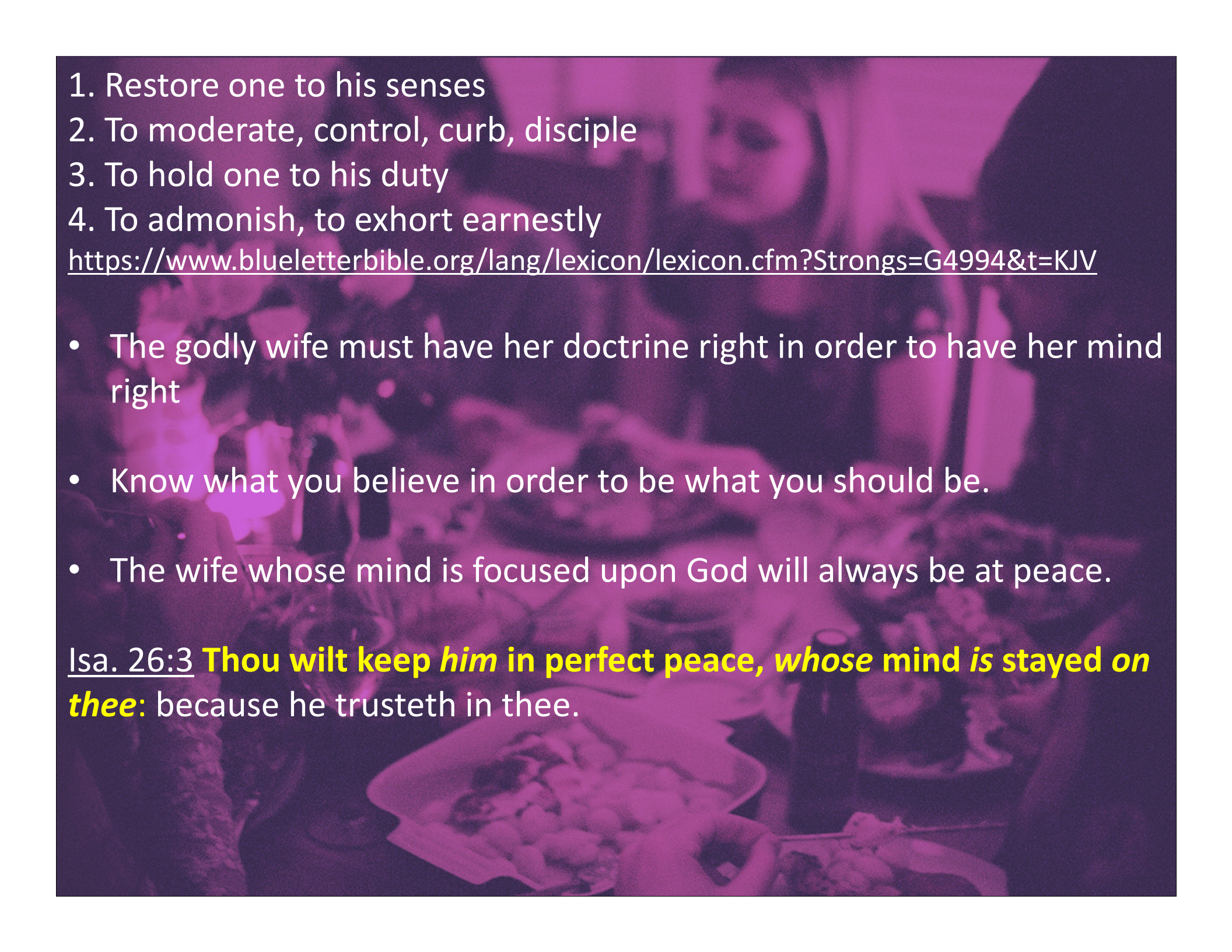
Transliteration: sóphronizó

Definition: I make sober-minded, admonish, control.

sōphronízō (from *sóphrōn*, "truly moderate") – being radically-moderate, i.e. living as *God* defines *true balance* (used only in Titus 2:4).

sōphronízō (literally "living in divine *moderation*") is moving in the "bigger picture" transforming someone to be "radically-balanced" according to the Lord's will. This radical-moderation requires a *complete* perspective that is eclectic, combining the legitimate extremities of truth from both sides of a matter. Doing this is vital to counseling young women (mothers) in the will of God (Titus 2:4).

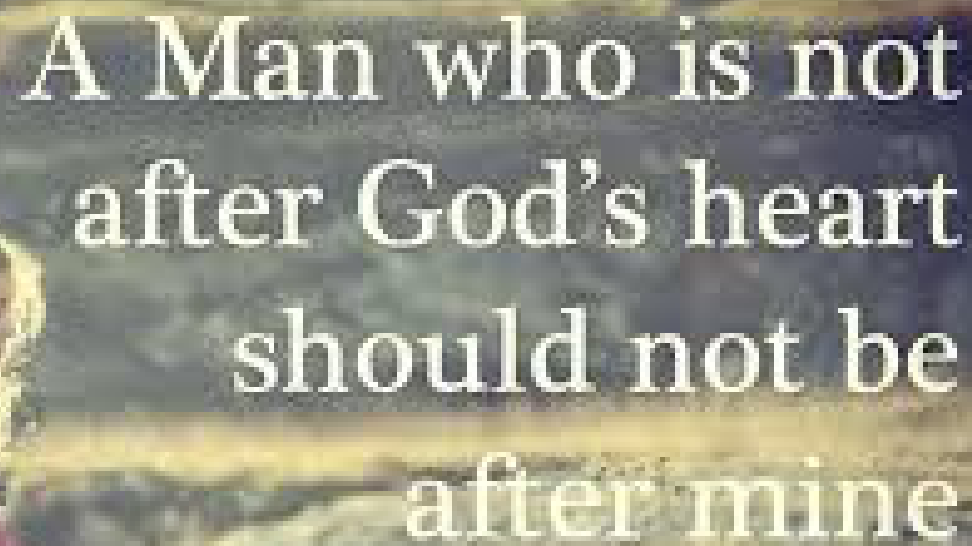
[(*sōphronízō*) and (*sōphronéō*) are both *verbs*, and are both formed from the same root (*sóphrōn*). (*sōphronízō*) emphasizes *passing on* what the Lord reveals is true balance. (*sōphronéō*) **expresses a settled state of mind that embraces what the Lord defines is true (radical) moderation.**] <http://biblehub.com/greek/4994.htm>

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1. Restore one to his senses
 2. To moderate, control, curb, disciple
 3. To hold one to his duty
 4. To admonish, to exhort earnestly

<https://www.blueletterbible.org/lang/lexicon/lexicon.cfm?Strongs=G4994&t=KJV>

- The godly wife must have her doctrine right in order to have her mind right
- Know what you believe in order to be what you should be.
- The wife whose mind is focused upon God will always be at peace.

Isa. 26:3 **Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on *thee*:** because he trusteth in thee.

A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a red top and a blue skirt, is sitting on the ground in a field of tall grass. She is looking down and to her right. The background is a soft-focus landscape with rolling hills under a bright sky. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

A Man who is not
after God's heart
should not be
after mine

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<http://thebarnprincess.com/2013/07/20-quotes-for-single-women-and-teens/>

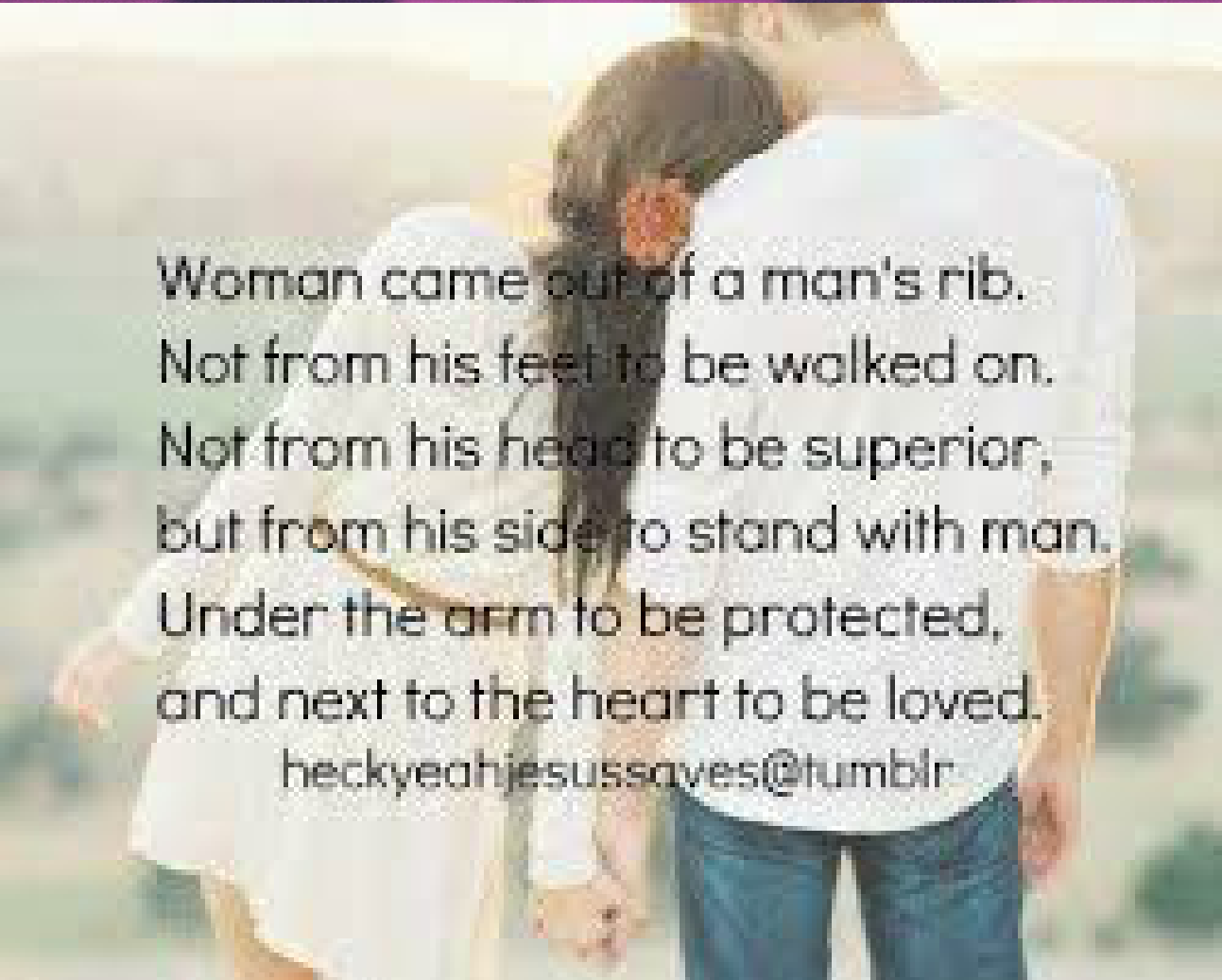
beautiful in his image.

“ True beauty
emanates from a
woman who boldly
and unabashedly
knows who she is in
Christ. **”**

CONSIDER WHAT

<http://www.quoteswave.com/picture-quotes/221769>

2. The Pillar of Complementarity – “...to love their husbands...”

A photograph of a man and a woman embracing in a field. The man is wearing a white t-shirt and blue jeans, and the woman is wearing a white dress. They are standing with their backs to the camera, looking out over a landscape. The text is overlaid on the image.

Woman came out of a man's rib.
Not from his feet to be walked on.
Not from his head to be superior,
but from his side to stand with man.
Under the arm to be protected,
and next to the heart to be loved.
heckyeahjesussaves@tumblr

<https://weheartit.com/essisusan/collections/99292447-faith>

“to love their husbands”

Original Word: φίλανδρος

Transliteration: philandros

Definition: loving one's husband.

phílandros (from *phílos*, "loving friend" and *anér*, "husband, the male companion of a wife") – **properly, the special affection of a woman for her life-time mate (husband), embracing him as her "calling" (stewardship) from God (used only in Titus 2:4).**

<http://biblehub.com/greek/5362.htm>

- Being a loving friend produces deeper fellowship and companionship, laying a foundation for a more enjoyable future.

3. The Pillar of Compassion – “...to love their children...”

“to love their children”

Original Word: φιλότεκνος

Transliteration: philoteknos

Definition: loving one's children.

<http://biblehub.com/greek/5388.htm>

Prov. 29:15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but **a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.**

Prov. 13:24 He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but **he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.**

4. The Pillar of Conduct – “...discreet, chaste...”

“To be discreet”

Original Word: σῶφρων

Transliteration: sóphrón

Definition: of sound mind, self-controlled, temperate, sober-minded, modest, discreet.

sóphrōn (from *sōos*, "sound, safe" and *phrēn*, "**inner outlook**" which regulates **outward behavior**) – properly, safe (sound) because *moderated*, referring to what is prudent because correctly (divinely) balanced (which is far more than being "the middle of the road")

sóphrōn ("acting in God's definition of *balance*") makes someone *genuinely temperate*, i.e. **well-balanced from God's perspective**. True balance is not "one-size-fits-all" nor is it blandly static. Biblical *moderation* (*sóphrōn*) describes "a man who does not command himself, but rather is commanded by God" (K. Wuest, *Word Studies*, 2, 46). This root (*sōphro-*, "soundness") then reflects living in *God-defined* balance.

[The root (*phrēn*) is the root of "*diaphragm*," the inner organ (muscle) that regulates physical life, controlling breathing and heart beat.

Example: An opera singer controls the length (quality) of their tones by their *diaphragm* which even controls the ability to breathe and *moderates* heartbeat. Hence it *regulates* ("brings safety") to the body, keeping it *properly controlled*.]

<http://biblehub.com/greek/4998.htm>

discreet

1. Judicious in one's conduct or speech, especially with regard to respecting privacy or maintaining silence about something of a delicate nature; prudent; circumspect.

2. Showing prudence and circumspection; decorous: a discreet silence.

3. Modestly unobtrusive; unostentatious:

<http://www.dictionary.com/browse/discreet?s=t>

- A discreet wife keeps herself properly balanced while multi-tasking many things.
- A discreet wife has herself under control while everything else goes to pieces.

“chaste”

Original Word: ἄγνός

Transliteration: hagnos

Definition: (originally, in a condition prepared for worship), pure (either ethically, or ritually, ceremonially), chaste.

hagnós (an adjective, which may be cognate with *hágios*, "holy") – **properly, pure (to the core); virginal (chaste, unadulterated); pure inside and out; holy because uncontaminated (undefiled from sin), i.e. without spoilation even within (even down to the center of one's being); not mixed with guilt or anything condemnable.**

<http://biblehub.com/greek/53.htm>


Sure, modesty has a price. You will not attract as many lustful people as you otherwise would. But it will probably attract someone who knows the difference between love and lust.

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YOU ARE
THE DAUGHTER
OF THE
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SO WALK LIKE IT,
TALK LIKE IT,
DRESS LIKE IT,
AND WAIT FOR THE GODLY MAN
WHO TREATS YOU LIKE IT.

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- The chaste wife is described in Proverbs 31 – the Virtuous Woman!

5. The Pillar of Caretaking – “...keepers at home...”

Prov. 14:1 Every wise woman buildeth her house: but **the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.**

- The foolish woman misuses the opportunity, but the Virtuous Woman builds upon the opportunity to build her home.

Prov. 31:13 She seeketh wool, and flax, and **worketh willingly with her hands.**

“keepers at home”

Original Word: οὐκουργός

Transliteration: oikouros

Definition: a keeper-at-home, a housekeeper.

<http://biblehub.com/greek/3626.htm>

1 Tim. 5:11 But the younger widows refuse: for when they have begun to wax wanton against Christ, they will marry;

12 Having damnation, because they have cast off their first faith.

13 And withal they learn *to be* idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.

14 I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, **guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.**

Original Word: οἰκοδεσποτέω

Transliteration: oikodespoteó

Definition: I manage a household.

<http://biblehub.com/greek/3616.htm>

Luke 13:25 When once **the master of the house** is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are:

6. The Pillar of Character – “...good...”

“good”

Original Word: ἀγαθός

Transliteration: agathos

Definition: **intrinsically good, good in nature, good whether it be seen to be so or not**, the widest and most colorless of all words with this meaning.

agathós – inherently (intrinsically) *good*; as to the believer, (*agathós*) describes what *originates from God* and is *empowered* by Him in their life, through faith.

<http://biblehub.com/greek/18.htm>



Character goes
beyond where we
happen to find
ourselves on Sunday
morning where
everyone sees us. It's
where we find
ourselves on
Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday,
and Saturday night
when only God is
watching.

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7. The Pillar of Compliance – “...obedient to their own husbands...”

“obedient to their own husbands”

Original Word: ὑποτάσσω

Transliteration: hypotassó

Definition: I place under, subject to; mid, pass: I submit, put myself into subjection.

hypotássō (from *hypó*, "under" and *tássō*, "arrange") – properly, "*under God's arrangement*," i.e. *submitting to the Lord* (His plan).

<http://biblehub.com/greek/5293.htm>

- The Motive – “...that the word of God be not blasphemed.

I Want to be a
Wife of The Word,
not a
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-Jolene Engle



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