

PRAYER FOCUS FOR ALL HUSBANDS

Three Areas Every Husband Can Bring Before the Father

A Surefooted Ministries Teaching

Introduction

Welcome to all the **Royal Prayer Guards** and everyone joining through social media. Prayer gives us an opportunity to move together by the power of the Holy Spirit and bring the needs of others before our Father. The specific focus of this teaching is **prayer for all husbands—present husbands, future husbands, and married couples.**

This teaching comes from personal experience as well as Scripture. The testimony included in the material describes more than five decades of marriage and a 50th wedding anniversary celebrated on December 2, 2022. The couple returned to the same church where, at their wedding, the priest had challenged them to “**come back in 50 years.**” Their return became a testimony of God's faithfulness.

That testimony provides an important foundation:

Love is not merely something we say. Love is demonstrated over time through our actions, sacrifice, commitment, and faithfulness.

The teaching can be simplified into **three words:**

LOVE — CONSIDER — GUARD

These three areas give us practical ways to pray for husbands.

1. LOVE YOUR WIFE

Ephesians 5:25

“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her...”

The biblical standard for a husband's love is not simply emotion or affection. The model is **Christ's sacrificial love for the church.**

The second part develops this idea by emphasizing that this love is **selfless, sacrificial, and intentional** rather than conditional.

What does this look like?

A husband can demonstrate love by:

- Showing kindness every day.
- Speaking words that build up rather than tear down.
- Giving his wife meaningful attention.
- Praying for her.
- Expressing gratitude for her.
- Looking for ways to serve rather than simply asking, “What am I getting?”

The teaching connects this with Jesus' command:

John 15:12

“This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.”

Teaching Point

A Christ-centered husband does not merely tell his wife that he loves her—he demonstrates love through his daily actions.

Prayer Focus #1

Father, help every husband love his wife as Christ loves the church. Teach him to be selfless, patient, kind, faithful, and intentionally in demonstrating his love. In Jesus' name, Amen.

2. LIVE CONSIDERATELY WITH YOUR WIFE

1 Peter 3:7

The second area is often overlooked: **consideration.**

The teaching describes this as living with understanding and honor toward one's wife. It includes being attentive to her needs, respecting her, listening, communicating carefully, and seeking peace when disagreements arise.

This is important because Scripture connects the husband's treatment of his wife with his prayer life.

The teaching specifically emphasizes that failure to live considerately can hinder prayers.

Consideration means:

Listen before answering.

Understand before judging.

Speak carefully.

Honor rather than belittle.

Seek reconciliation rather than winning an argument.

A considerate husband does not assume that his wife's needs are identical to his own. He takes time to understand her.

Practical Application

Ask yourself:

- Am I listening to my wife?
- Am I paying attention to what concerns her?
- Do my words communicate honor?
- Am I willing to apologize when I am wrong?
- Do I extend grace when we disagree?
- Am I helping create an atmosphere of peace in our home?

The teaching specifically recommends understanding emotional and spiritual needs, communicating honestly while watching our tone and words, seeking forgiveness, and extending grace.

Teaching Point

Love asks, “How can I bless my wife?” Consideration asks, “How can I understand and honor her?”

Prayer Focus #2

Father, help every husband live with understanding and consideration toward his wife. Teach him to listen, communicate with wisdom, honor her, and pursue peace. May nothing in his conduct hinder his prayers. In Jesus' name, Amen.

3. GUARD YOUR WIFE

John 17:12

The third area is **guarding**.

The teaching uses Jesus' example of guarding those entrusted to Him and applies the principle to husbands.

To guard means to take responsibility for protecting what has been entrusted to you.

The teaching describes guarding in several dimensions:

- **Physical**
- **Emotional**
- **Spiritual**

It also emphasizes being alert to influences that could damage the well-being of the wife or the unity of the marriage.

Guarding is not controlling.

A husband guards by **loving, praying, watching, standing firm, encouraging, and protecting.**

The teaching connects this responsibility with spiritual vigilance and prayer.

Ephesians 6:12

The struggle is not merely physical; therefore, the husband must recognize the spiritual dimension of life's challenges. The teaching encourages husbands to equip themselves with the armor of God—truth, righteousness, faith, salvation, God's Word, and prayer.

2 Thessalonians 3:3

“But the Lord is faithful; he will make you strong and guard you from satanic attacks of every kind.”

The important reminder is that **the husband ultimately depends upon God's strength to fulfill this responsibility.**

Practical Application

A husband can guard his wife by:

- Praying for her protection.
- Using delegated authority daily!
- Paying attention to her concerns.
- Encouraging her faith.
- Standing with her during difficult seasons.
- Leading by his own example.
- Being alert to influences that could harm the marriage.
- Standing firmly on God's Word.

Teaching Point

You cannot guard what you refuse to pay attention to.

A husband who loves his wife will care about what affects her, her faith, her peace, and the unity of their marriage.

Prayer Focus #3

Father, strengthen every husband to guard his wife with wisdom, love, faithfulness, and prayer. Help him stand firm in Your Word and provide spiritual encouragement and protection for his family. In Jesus' name, Amen.

THE THREE-FOLD HUSBAND'S PRAYER

The entire teaching can be remembered with three simple words:

1. LOVE

“Father, help me love my wife as Christ loves the church.”

2. CONSIDER

“Father, help me live with understanding and honor toward my wife.”

3. GUARD

“Father, strengthen me to guard my wife and stand firm in faith.”

The teaching material emphasizes that these prayers do not need to be lengthy. What matters is **faith-filled prayer**, whether we are praying for ourselves or another husband.

A CALL TO ALL THOSE IN CHRIST:

This teaching is not only for husbands.

It is also a **prayer assignment** for those who intercede.

We can pray for:

Every husband

That he will love.

Every future husband

That he will prepare himself to love, honor, and guard his future wife.

Every married couple

That Christ will remain at the center of their marriage.

Every husband experiencing difficulty

That the Holy Spirit will bring encouragement, wisdom, repentance where needed, and renewed commitment.

The teaching specifically encourages allowing the Holy Spirit to bring particular husbands to our attention as we pray.

FINAL CHALLENGE

Marriage is a journey of **growth, sacrifice, and faithfulness**. The teaching does not present marriage as perfect or without challenges. Instead, it points husbands back to God's Word and prayer as foundations for building a lasting marriage.

The testimony behind this teaching provides a powerful picture:

“Prove your love.”

Years later, the couple returned to the same church—not because their marriage had been perfect, but as a testimony of what God had accomplished through decades of faithfulness.

Therefore, husbands, remember:

LOVE HER.

CONSIDER HER.

GUARD HER.

And Royal Prayer Guards, remember:

PRAY FOR THEM.

Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We bring before You husbands, future husbands, and married couples.

Teach every husband to love his wife as Christ loves the church.

Teach him to live with understanding, honor, patience, wisdom, and consideration.

Strengthen him to guard his wife and his marriage through prayer, Your Word, faith, and godly example.

Where there is difficulty, bring wisdom.

Where there is weakness, bring strength.

Where there is division, bring peace.

Where there is discouragement, bring hope.

Help husbands become men who demonstrate their love through faithful action.

We trust You to work in marriages and families according to Your will.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

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A HUSBAND'S CALLING

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AND GUARD

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and Teaching
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and Married
Couples*

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1

LOVE YOUR WIFE

Ephesians 5:25–28
Love her as Christ
loved the church —
a sacrificial,
selfless love.

2

LIVE CONSIDERATELY WITH YOUR WIFE

1 Peter 3:7
Live with understanding,
honor, and patience —
so that your prayers
are effective.

3

GUARD YOUR WIFE

John 17:12
Be attentive and
protective — spiritually,
emotionally, and
physically.

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