

When the Prince Leaves Home

(Training Your In-Laws)

Genesis 2:23-25, "And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed."

Someone said that a marriage is not just the union of two people it is the union of two families. This can cause great blessing it can also be a great area of conflict.

The Bible makes it clear when a child gets married, he is to leave his father and mother and cleaves to his wife

I. Help Them Pick the Right Life Partner

- A. Check out their _____
- B. Check out their family _____
- C. Protect them - your child can blow it
 - 1. No _____ dating
 - 2. Always where they can be _____
 - 3. Make your _____ available

II. Teach Them the Principles of Marriage

- A. They must be _____
 - I Corinthians 7:9, "But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn."
 - I Corinthians 7:39, "The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord."
 - II Corinthians 6:14 (Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"
- B. They must _____
 - I Corinthians 7:7, "For I would that all men were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper gift of God, one after this manner, and another after that."
 - Matthew 19:10-11, "His disciples say unto him, If the case of the man be so with his wife, it is not good to marry. But he said unto them, All men cannot receive this saying, save they to whom it is given."
- C. They should be _____ the Lord
- D. They should be _____
 - 1. Virgins marry virgins
 - 2. Are they involved in pornography?

- E. They should be _____
1. Have they done drugs?
 2. Which ones and when?
- F. They should be _____ responsible
1. Are they in _____?
 2. What is their _____?

III. Rules for the King and Queen

- A. Don't have them live at _____
- B. Don't go their house without an _____
- C. Let them _____ their own _____
- D. Don't expect a _____ and don't be constantly _____ them
- E. Let them know door is _____ open
- F. When _____ if you can
- G. Always _____ but never _____ the grandkids
- H. At Christmas let them _____ their _____
- I. Always love the _____
- J. Don't let your children _____ to you about their _____
- K. Don't get _____ if they _____ at your advice
- L. Let them make _____, they will _____ from them
- M. Never say "I _____ you so"
- N. Always have a _____ ear
- O. Always have an _____ heart
- P. Let them raise your _____

IV. Rules for the Prince and Princess

- A. Never _____ with your in-laws, you are to " _____"
- B. Never _____ with your _____ about your spouse's _____

Proverbs 21:23, "Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles"

- C. Never _____ money from _____ without a contract to pay back with _____
Exodus 22:14, "And if a man borrow ought of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof being not with it, he shall surely make it good."
- D. Never have in-laws _____ with you without a _____ and definite ending.
Proverbs 25:17, "Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary of thee, and so hate thee."
- E. _____ your children from your in-laws.
Luke 17:2, "It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones."
1. Drinking & _____ - Not in my house
 2. Show _____ not _____
 3. _____ to your children if they feel _____
 - a. You have _____ to your in-laws to allow them to _____ your kids or have them spend the night.
 - b. Children have been _____ by _____
- F. Become _____ with In-laws
- G. Discuss how you will handle _____ or widowed in-laws
1. Will they live with you?
 2. How do you feel about _____?
 3. You have a responsibility to your _____, but not to the detriment of your relationship with your spouse.

V. Remember the Rules

- A. Your first priority in life is your relationship with your _____
- B. Your primary human relationship is with your _____
(He or she is the only one that stood before God and made an "as long as we both shall live" commitment)
- C. Your _____ are your primary relationship as a _____
- D. All other relationships are _____
- E. When you live by Bible _____ you will have time for all of the _____
God wants you to _____ with _____
- F. Matthew 6:33, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."