SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 31:10-31
SERMON: <u>The Virtuous Husband</u>
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## INTRODUCTION: FATHER WORTHY OF HONOR & LOVE (Eph.5:33; 6:2; Tt2:4; see 1Tm6:1)

- I. A FAITHFUL FATHER'S FIRST FOCUS (Eph.5:22f; 6:1f; Col.3:18f; 20f)
  - A. LOVE IN ORDER TO ENABLE LOVE (see 1Jn.4:19f)
  - B. PREACH THE GOSPEL TO YOUR CHILDREN (Eph.5:32; 22-33; see Gal.4:26)
  - C. TEACH HONOR TO YOUR CHILDREN (Eph.6:1,2; see 1Pt.3:7; Prov.31:28f,11,10f; 1Tm.5:14)
  - **D. THE SINGLE FATHER: OTHER OPPORTUNITIES** (see 1Cor.7:32f; see Ps.103:4,8,13; 1Th.2:7)
  - E. PRAYER: THE FINAL FRONTIER (Mk.5:22f; Mt.15:22f)

## II. OTHER ATTRIBUTES OF THE VIRTUOUS HUSBAND

- **A. EYE HER** (Gen.2:20f; Ex.20:14; Job 31:1; Prov.5:1f; Song; Mk.9:47; 1Th.4:3f; Heb.13:4; see Mt.15:19)
- **B. NOURISH HER** (matter; Eph.5:29; 1Cor.14:35; see 1Tm.5:8; Prov.31:31)
- **C. CHERISH HER** (manner; Eph.5:29; see 1Th.2:7; Is.40:2; Song; Prov.31:28f)
- **D. ENTRUST HER** (Prov.31:11,31; see 1Tm.5:14)
- **E. FORBEAR HER** (1Cor.13:7; see Col.3:13,19)
- **F. FORGIVE HER** (Lk.17:3; Mt.18:15; Eph.4:29-32; Col.3:19)
- **G. LOVE HER** (Mt.22:39; see Eph.5:28f; 4:25; see 1Cor.11:7)

## III. BE FAITHFUL IN A FATHER'S FIRST FOCUS! (Eph.5:22f; 6:1f; Col.3:18f; 20f; see 1Jn.4:19f)

Brethren, what shall WE DO? (see Acts 2:37f)