

Hello! This is Dorothy -

In the **Book of Proverbs, chapter 31**, we read —

10 Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies.

11 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

12 She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

Then over in **Proverbs 18**, we read —

22 Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favor of the Lord.

Then in **Proverbs 19**, we read —

14 . . . and a prudent wife is from the Lord.

You want to be a wife perhaps, and you think, “Oh, but where is this dream man around the corner?” Would you fit these requirements?

In **1 Corinthians 6:17**, we read : **But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.** Are we drawn to the character of the life we meet? You see, God gives a blending in the spirit. In **Genesis 2:18**, we read . . . **a help meet for him**, when God brought Eve to Adam. In other words, it was the other half. It is the one you would want to be the parent of any children the Lord would give you. As a

woman, can you rejoice to know that one day, you will train the little ones to respect and honor and obey that man you would like to have as a husband? True love lifts our fellowship with God and always draws us closer to the Lord Jesus.

In **Genesis 2:22**, we read - . . . **The Lord . . . made . . . a woman, and brought her unto the man.** *Adam, that is.*

In **Matthew 19:6**, we read - . . . **What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.**

It is time thinking people realized that, on the question of happy marriages, it largely depends not just upon what is going on in their life, but it literally means the answer to our very nation. A keen observer once said, CIVILIZATIONS ARE FAR MORE VULNERABLE ON THEIR DOMESTIC SIDE THAN ON THEIR ECONOMIC SIDE. Unfortunately, civilizations are in threat when we see what is domestically happening to marriages that were brought together under the Name of the Lord, but which are not standing in Him.

I love that verse in **Psalm 127:1** - . . . **except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.** God alone is our sure Protector of our home. **Psalm 34:7** - **The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.** *-the angel in this psalm is the pre-incarnate Christ.*

As in **Ephesians 5:18**, when we are **filled with the Spirit**, when we yield to the working of the Holy Spirit to fill and control our lives

and being filled full of Him, God is love. That means His love will fill our heart and our life and therewith be the respecting and honoring of this partner. We will somehow understand that God brought all this together. I can't be messing up a life that God - the Almighty God - has been working with. I have to understand it is a privilege to work together in love in Christ.

In **Colossians 3:16**, we read — **Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly . . .** The key to understanding the plan of God is to be content in Christ and be deeply in the Word. The Bible is going to keep you from sin, and the sin that would hold on to you, that would grab you like a tentacle, will keep you from the Bible. Keep in the Word.

1 Peter 3:7, Peter warns the husband to be . . . **giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel . . .that your prayers be not hindered.** How important it is to be able to see yourself as a *weaker vessel*, to submit to this person, to realize he is your covering, your protection. Oh, don't just grab somebody just because he is a man and he has money in his pocket; understand there is a plan for your life. Find out God's plan. It is better not to marry than to have the wrong partner.

In **Matthew 19**, speaking of marriage -

4 . . . Have you not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female,

5 And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?

6 Wherefore they are no more twain, *-that means two* -but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man *-no person* -put asunder.

7 They say unto him, Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?

8 He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.

9 And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.

A satisfactory married life can be attained in Jesus. Give your life to Him at this moment.

Amen.