

# THE HUSBAND'S LEADERSHIP

**Genesis NKJV 1:** <sup>27</sup> So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. <sup>28</sup> Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

**Genesis NKJV 2:** <sup>15</sup> Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it. <sup>16</sup> And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; <sup>17</sup> but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

## 1. Love Your Wife

**Ephesians NKJV 5:** <sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

- **This is not a request, it is a commandment, act of your will that requires action,**

**Psalms NKJV 18:1** I will love You, O Lord, my strength.

## 2. Receive Input

**1 Peter NKJV 3:** <sup>7</sup> Husbands, likewise, dwell with *them* with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as *being* heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered.

## 3. Make Decisions

**Ephesians NKJV 3:** <sup>23</sup> For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.

## 4. Avoid Bitterness

**Colossians NKJV 3:** <sup>9</sup> Husbands, love your wives and do not be bitter toward them.

## 5. Nourish and Cherish

**Ephesians NKJV 5:** <sup>28</sup> So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord *does* the church.

## 6. Give Praise

**Proverbs NKJ 31:** <sup>28</sup> Her children rise up and call her blessed; Her husband *also*, and he praises her: <sup>29</sup> "Many daughters have done well, But you excel them all."