

Family violence shows many don't 'listen' to Bible

I am often surprised at how many people don't take the Bible seriously and how many don't think it contains information that applies to them or that can benefit us in modern life.

One area I've noticed a lot of problems is with family life. It seems every day you hear of someone getting a divorce or having problems getting along with their spouse.

Family violence crops up in news stories all the time. Just last week, a program was held in Goodland to raise public awareness of child abuse. It seems we hear about a lot of families who are not happy to be together and about events that just shouldn't happen.

Though many people ignore its advice, the Bible provides guidelines for family members to live



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• use it or lose it

happily together. And it leaves no room for thinking domestic violence is acceptable.

Ephesians 5:25 says, "Husbands, continue loving your wives, just as the Christ also loved the congregation and delivered up himself for it."

Verses 28, 29 in the same chapter say, "In this way husbands ought to be loving their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself, for no man ever hated his own flesh; but he feeds and cherishes it, as the Christ also does the

congregation."

Verse 33 says, "Nevertheless, also, let each one of you individually so love his wife as he does himself; on the other hand, the wife should have deep respect for her

husband."

In some cases, the problem is that people didn't think about these things before getting married. Instead of waiting to find someone they love and respect, some pick someone available to have a "housewife" or to avoid being alone.

1 Timothy 5:8 says, "Certainly if anyone does not provide for those who are his own, and especially for those who are members of his household, he has disowned the faith and is worse than a person

without faith."

Proverbs 31:10, 15, 26, 27 says, "A capable wife who can find? Her value is far more than that of corals. She also gets up while it is still night, and gives food to her household and the prescribed portion to her young women. Her mouth she has opened in wisdom, and the law of loving kindness is on her tongue. She is watching over the goings-on of her household, and the bread of laziness she does not eat."

Some may feel it is old-fashioned for the husband to be the breadwinner and the wife to work at home, but the Bible's principles apply whether the wife is the breadwinner or both have jobs. Though each couple can decide for themselves how to divide up these duties, someone has to be responsible to earn a living and to take care of the household chores.

If these things were cared for responsibly, how many arguments would be avoided?

Hebrews 13:4 says, "Let marriage be honorable among all, and the marriage bed be without defilement, for God will judge fornicators and adulterers."

Obedying this Bible commandment helps protect the trust in a marriage and is a demonstration of the respect that the couple has for each other, showing that they do not cheapen the relationship.

Psalm 127:3 says, "Look! Sons are an inheritance from God; the fruitage of the belly is a reward."

Children are a gift from God and, though a reward, they also come with responsibility.

Deuteronomy 11:18, 19 says, "And you must apply these words of mine to your heart and your soul. . .

. You must also teach them to your sons, so as to speak to them when you sit in your house and when you walk on the road and when you lie down and when you get up."

Children need instruction; the Bible especially points to their need for religious instruction. Though all children need discipline, the Bible leaves no room for cruel punishment.

Psalm 37:8 says, "Let anger alone and leave rage. Do not show yourself heated up only to do evil."

Any two people who live together are bound to get on each other's nerves and disagree at times, but couples who really love each other do not hit, do not cheat and do not divorce. And people who love their children and view them as a gift from God don't beat them, no matter how frustrated they get.

public notice

Public Notice:
Nominations Sought from Sherman County for Sunflower Extension District #6 Governing Board

the year of appointment, and will serve 4 year terms. The minimum qualifications are to be a resident of Sherman County.

The Sherman County Commissioners are seeking nominations for 4 representatives to serve on the Sunflower Extension District #6 Governing Board. The District Governing Board will be comprised of 8 members, 4 each from Sherman and Wallace Counties. The first four members of this Board from Sherman County will be appointed by the Sherman County Commissioners to serve two 2 year terms and two 4 year terms. Thereafter board members will be elected in April elections in odd numbered years following

The deadline for nominations and for letters of support for these nominations for these four positions on the Sunflower Extension District Governing Board is 5 p.m., 16th, Day of May, 2005. Nominations and Supporting letters must be sent in writing by the stated deadline to the Sherman County Clerk, 813 Broadway, Room 102, Goodland, Kansas 67735. For further information please contact the Sherman County Extension Service at 785-899-4880.

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