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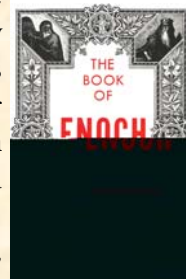
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Hope you spiritual, gutsy, Gideon Guerilla Christian soldiers noticed the new cover for our 2006 DragonSlayer newsletter. We are certain there are those who have listened to our “Answer To Ask Gideon” series will appreciate the significance of the new cover in light of the prophetic Scriptures in Isaiah 10:26 and what happened at the Rock of Oreb. For 2006, let us press on, knowing as the old gospel song says, there is **Victory in Jesus!**



Speaking of victory in Jesus, remember that that is the name we have victory in. We are pleased to report that we are continuing to have great and positive responses to Pastor Applegate’s book “No Other Name but Jesus”. (For your copy, write to us at Scriptures for America and request one today, or read it at our website, www.scripturesforamerica.org.) Many have written stating their intentions of getting baptized properly, in the Name of Jesus Christ, and several have traveled long distances to the LaPorte Church of Christ just to be re-baptized properly, in the right name. It appears a prophecy in the Book of Enoch, regarding the name, is taking place in this very time. (The Book of Enoch is available from Scriptures for America ministry for a donation of \$8.00.) The prophecy is found in Enoch 45:1-4.



“PARABLE THE SECOND, respecting those who deny the name of habitation of the holy ones, and of the Lord of spirits. Heaven they shall not ascend, not shall they come on the earth. This shall be the portion of sinners, who deny the name of the Lord of spirits, and who

are thus reserved for the day of punishment and of affliction. In that day shall the Elect one sit upon a throne of glory; and shall choose their condition and countless habitations (while their spirits within them shall be strengthened, when they behold my Elect one), shall choose them for those who have fled for protection to my holy and glorious name.”

We continue to expand our outreach and services, and of course our expenses continue to increase when we do such. Pray the tithes and offerings sent here continue and increase as well. We need and desire your prayers.

DVD Church is one of our newest outreach labors (see page 3). It is for those who cannot attend church with us live through the internet. We can send the entire church service on DVD (singing, Communion, announcements and the message) to you in the mail each Monday, and you'll have it for home church for the following Sunday.

Likewise, for those who cannot get access to the website to read the Prepatory and Imprecatory Prayers that are listed there each week, we can mail that prayer to you each Monday. Contact us and let us know if you want and need to be included on either of these two new ministry projects.

This preacher thanks those of you who have so faithfully supported all of our labors here. You labor there and we'll labor here, all in the name and for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is the victory!



Still Sincerely Stompin' Snakes,

Pastor Peter J. Peters

PS. Hope to see many of you in Dallas, Texas, February 18 and 19, 2006! (see page 26)



From the Webmaster

We are continuing to work on and improve the Sunday morning live video broadcast from the LaPorte Church of Christ. We have recently adjusted the streaming feeds and now most everyone is able to get a good quality broadcast. Remember we also added a fourth video server to accommodate the increase in attendees on the web. We still need your input to identify any problems, and would like to hear from everyone viewing our broadcast, including those of you that are in other countries. Please e-mail us at tj@sfaw.org with your comments.

There are still many of you that are not using Real Player 10 to view the live church services. You can download the software free from www.Real.com (do not select anything that is not free, including the trial software, unless you want to pay for it.).



For those of you that have a dial up connection to the net, try this to help with the quality of the picture. Start Real Player, and then click on the pause button after the program has started. Wait for about 5 minutes, and then click on the play button, and the broadcast program should run better from then on. This should eliminate the starting, stopping and reconnecting. Let us know!

Thanks again for all of your help, support and prayers.

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“DVD Church” - We are announcing “*The DVD Church*”. While the live video internet Church broadcast is growing, with numbers of viewers increasing each week, we are realizing that there are many people that do not have an internet connection. To this end we are now offering a DVD of the Sunday Morning live broadcast for all of those that do not have access to the internet and would still like to join us for church services. This DVD will be mailed out the Monday after the broadcast, so that all can join in and experience the singing, Communion, announcements and the sermon. If you would like to be a part of the Scriptures for America “DVD Church”, contact us and let us know. This new service is supported by your tithes and offerings.

HUSBANDS LOVE YOUR WIVES

(As yourself)

by Pastor Gene Applegate

So you know how to love your wife. *Of course you do!* Then, why is your home filled with frustration and unhappiness? Could it possibly be that you don't know as much as you might think?

Happy and fulfilled husband-and-wife relationships are very rare. Numerous Christian couples put on a good front, but are miserably unhappy behind the scenes. After many years of counseling couples with troubled marriages, I've concluded that very few are genuinely happy and thoroughly enjoy each other.

Most men of our generation have never been taught how to be a good husband and father. Many have never had the influence of a loving father in their life. They have no clue as to the meaning of genuine love. They have never seen their parents embrace with tender affection, or offer tender deeds of appreciation to each other. They have no idea of how to offer comfort and support in moments of stress or how to support each other in the disciplines of their children. Quiet, productive dialogue doesn't happen.

Man's fallen nature imprisons him in an attitude of arrogance and independence. Self-sufficiency is a must. His ego propelled actions and "Macho" attitudes close the door to understanding the feminine gender of man, the woman.

A "drill sergeant" mentality is no substitute for unwavering responsibility and stalwart strength. Men can be loving and understanding without compromising their position and authority. Aggressive, loud, harsh, demanding action may produce an outward submission. It will not bring deeply rooted love and respect.

The generation in which we live has reduced the meaning of the word "love" to sensual excitement and sexual fulfillment. A husband-and-wife soon discovers that the glitter of physical, sensual pleasure wears thin very quickly. Many couples ask the bewildering question. "Is this all there is to marriage? I thought it was to be a beautiful experience filled with happiness and joy."

Man must understand his role and relationship with God the Father, before he can understand a husband's qualifications and responsibility to his wife.

Our nature, contaminated by sin, makes it impossible to see truth clearly. No man, or woman, can ever find the ultimate fulfillment in marriage until they have entered into new birth through the Lord Jesus Christ as described by Peter in Acts 2:38.

Love your wife by being a Godly husband. This is the greatest gift you can present to the woman of your dreams, your wife. You do yourself a great favor as well.

Marriage is a spiritual union as well as a physical one. No husband can love his wife properly until he has a proper relationship with God. Man was made to glorify God, to become the focus of God's love, and to be a source of fellowship with him. In like manner, woman was made to glorify and fulfill man.

Men must learn that they were created to need a wife. They are incomplete without one. Like it or not, it's true! God said so!

And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. Genesis 2:18 KJV.

This simply means a helper of **equal value** to fill the void of his inabilities. She "fills him out" and makes him complete.

God has a specific order of things, a pattern or recipe by which we can guide our life. Anything out of harmony with His directives cannot function well. God must always be our Lord and director.

The created must submit to the creator. God made man in his image. Man is supposed to submit to God's authority and guidance. Adam sinned. Man became distorted and warped. Nothing functioned in his life as God intended.

Jesus, our Redeemer, made it possible for us to be reconfigured (redeemed) into the image of God, through his righteousness. The sooner we allow the Heavenly Father to re-conform us to his image, the quicker we will establish a Godly household that functions properly.

To pattern our life as patriarch and husband in our Lord's image, we must understand how He functions. Therefore, man must look to Jesus, God's only begotten son, as the pattern for his relationship with his wife. We are to love our wives and treat them as directed in Ephesians 5:23.

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her; Ephesians 5:25

The following is a simple pattern that God has given to enable us to live in perfect happiness and fulfillment. It is a system that applies to every realm of life; every marital relationship.

"And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. Deuteronomy 6:5

Love God and you can effectively love your wife!

The Bible gives explicit instruction as to what a husband should be, and how to love his wife. Ephesians 5:25-27, NAS states, “*Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her; that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she should be holy and blameless.*”

Simple rules for a husband’s conduct are found in this short scripture.

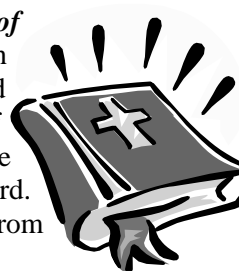
We are to love our wives like Christ loves the Church. The Husband then must understand the nature and character of Christ if he is to emulate him as a loving husband. Let us look at our Lord’s example:

1. ***Jesus gave himself up*** (died) for us. Unconditional love is *unselfish love*. We were so valuable to the Lord that he died for us. One must value his wife with similar esteem. She is the queen of your life; the most valuable possession ever afforded you. Nothing, other than the Lord, should ever be more important in your life. She has value beyond measure. Treat her like it. Do you love her enough to die for her? You Should!

2. ***“That He might sanctify her.”*** To “sanctify”, means to make holy, pure, and consecrate, to set apart. Jesus separates us from the bondage of sin and death. Our every need is provided. He elevates us to serve equally with him as Sons of God. In like manner, husbands must assume responsibility for every need and care of their bride. He separates her from everything familiar, the lifestyle of a single woman, the covering of her parents, the comfort of friends and family, even her identity. She is set apart, sanctified, to be forever identified as part of you.

Love her with a new identity, covering and security, in which she finds joyful fulfillment. Set her apart unto yourself, sanctified in purity and appreciation. Elevate her to the height of your esteem.

3. ***“Having cleansed her by the washing of water with the Word”***. It is the application of the Word, the Covenant of the Lord (shedding of his blood) and the washing of water (Baptism) that sets us apart unto the Lord. We become clean and pure as the Lord. Our lifestyle changes. We are separated from



our old nature. We have a new identity with all the privileges of Kingdom membership.

So it is with the Covenant Commitment (marriage vows) that is made when receiving a wife. She is thrust into a new, and hopefully, beautiful world. Her dreams are being fulfilled.

Love your wife by encasing her firmly into all that you are, and have. Everything is new and exciting. Old things are cast aside, as she gives herself in marriage. Every fiber of her being longs to please and satisfy. She enfolds herself into her husband's identity, dreams and reputation. She becomes one flesh with him, an equal possessor of his domain. She is a woman of privilege, the only one on earth who enjoys the fullness of his being. Encourage her to enter into her new environment without restraint.

Love your wife with unshackled communication. Most men are poor communicators. Just as Christ deals with the Church, the husband must communicate with his bride. The "Word" communicates clear directives and expectations as well as power and authority to the Church. Everything we receive as Christians is released to us through the Word, our Lord Jesus Christ.

So it is with the husband unto his wife. He must give clearly defined directives. His expectations, dreams and goals are very important to her. Many marriages fail because of poor communication. In most cases, the husband is derelict in expressing his expectations or need. Bless yourself and your wife through unhampered sharing of your dreams and goals. Help her to blend into you, to become one with you.

4. "That He might present himself, the church in all her glory."

One day, Jesus is going to present us, perfect, unblemished, pure and beautiful to the Heavenly Father. We will fulfill His joy. We are the product of his unconditional love.

Love your wife by presenting her as your crowning glory. Every new husband takes great pride in his bride. She is his radiant glory. Her beauty and grace brings great satisfaction. He shows her off with great joy. His excitement cannot be contained. Then, all too often, marriage becomes a dull unfulfilling experience. Love languishes unfulfilled. What happened?

She is naturally unsure and insecure in her ability to be all that you want and need. Terrible disappointment, and despondency overwhelms her, she feels helpless and inferior when she is unable to please you. She needs your reassurance and acceptance. Love her by voicing your approval, pride and pleasure in her. Treat her as

your beautiful shining glory, both publicly and in private.

5. **“Having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing;”** Jesus has carefully nurtured us. He has patiently groomed us, brought us into maturity, and wrapped us in his robes of righteousness. He finds no blemish in us. What is the lesson here? Did we perfect ourselves? No! It was Jesus.

Love your wife by refining her. Every husband finds ultimate fulfillment in being able to present his wife to anyone, at any time, with delightful pride. He wants to exhibit her as his beautiful queen, the source of his joy and fulfillment.

Few men experience such privilege. Insensitivity and dependency permeates the relationship. The home is in disarray. The wife is unkempt. Confusion, noise and frustration have replaced the brilliant glow of a happy couple. Why? What Happened? You ask. In most cases the problem is your inability to function as an adequate husband (there are exceptions).

“But that she should be holy and blameless.” She wants to please you. She is devastated when she fails. She expects to make adjustments or corrections in her new role. Love her as a tender vessel of great value. Separate your critique of needed adjustment from any displeasure with her.

Jesus lets us know when we fall short of his standards, but we can never question his love and acceptance. He never ridicules or browbeats us. He doesn’t call us stupid or dumb. He extends his arms and says “Come, let me help you.” Love you wife! Let her know that *how* she does things does not alter *who* she is, nor does it lower her esteem and value to you.

Love your wife through understanding. To properly understand your wife, you must know why and how God made her to function. She is far more than your lover, the mother of your children or a homemaker. She is the other half of you. You *need* her in every area of your life.

The first step requires recognition that Man is incomplete without Woman. God Said so.

“And the LORD God aid, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.” Genesis 2:18 KJV

Strong’s concordance of Hebrew and Greek words gives us further insight as to why God made woman for man. Let us look at the meaning of the two words *help* and *meet* in the light of the original language in which they were written

OT: 5826 – **Help:** *a primitive root; to surround, i.e. protect or aid:* This little four letter word is intensely deep in its

meaning. This leads us to understand that she was given to us to surround (envelop) us with her glory (beauty), to protect us with her intuitions and instincts, and to aid or assist us with many varied talents that God gave her.

She is to supplement her husband in his areas of vulnerability. In other words God made woman to make man complete and perfect in his abilities. Her strengths fill the void of his weakness. Man is incomplete without her.

OT: 5048 – **MEET**: a front, i.e. part opposite; specifically a counterpart, or mate: This word gives us a broader description in our understanding of the English word; Mate. The word “mate” means an equal match; to be joined together. In other words, God made her to be a “perfect fit”. Adam recognized that Eve (woman) was not only opposite and a perfect match, she was part of him.

Adam declared “She is **“bone of my bone”** and **“Flesh of my Flesh”**.”

“For this cause a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.”

Genesis 2:23-24

God has set the structure for a fulfilled and happy household. It all starts with the husband’s obedience to God and his taking responsibility for his household. The first step, is understanding that a man’s wife becomes one flesh with him.

Learn to love your wife by recognizing who she is. *She is part of you!* Treat her as you *should* treat yourself. She is not an accessory attachment. She is neither a vessel of self gratification nor household servant. She is made to uniquely entwine herself into you. God has equipped her to cover your vulnerability, to add strength and ability in your areas of weakness. She was designed to complete the unfulfilled void in your life.

Everyone has different strengths and points of weakness. Your wife is designed to fit into yours like the perfect piece of a jigsaw puzzle. God made her unusually resilient, sensitive and flexible. She is tender and yet tough. She can be gracious and submissive and yet demanding.

She has ability to face hardship, sickness and pain almost beyond measure. She can sacrifice her time and energy, even her love, without complaint. No sacrifice is too great in supplying the need of Husband and children. She was wonderfully made to be everything you need.

Love your Wife by understanding her with knowledge. Your wife should be the most important part of you. You must put forth effort and determination to understand her. Thoughtful,

patient consideration and common sense, coupled with strength and gentleness along with firm standards, will pay great dividends. You can always depend upon the Holy Spirit to give wisdom and insight. Remember that neither of you are perfect.

True love always puts the happiness and welfare of the one you love before yourself. Always remember that she is *part of you*. Perhaps a description of feminine characteristics desires and needs will be helpful. The following is a very limited accounting of the average woman. (There are exceptions)

Love your wife by recognizing her individuality. Your wife is peculiar. There is no one else like her anywhere. She is not a carbon copy of another woman, not your mother, or sister or your friend's wife. She is herself. She will not fit into the mold of someone else. She thinks, functions and expresses herself as only she can. If you are unmarried, God has a uniquely designed woman to become the wife especially made for you.

Let me interject a truth here. Some have said, "I made a mistake, I chose the wrong mate. I didn't seek God's advice; I married before becoming a Christian." This may be true, but *if* each of you has become Christians, you can rest assured that God reformed each of you to be a perfect fit for the other, when He made you a *New Creation* in Christ Jesus.

You have probably heard the remark many times. "There's not a man alive who can understand a woman." That's probably true for most men, especially those who try to fill the role of husband and father without God's help. They firmly believe that no man can understand women, especially their wife. Not true!

You should, you can, you must, understand your wife! It is a command of God. *Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.* 1 Peter 3:7 KJV

The New American Standard Bible reads "You husbands likewise, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with a weaker vessel, since she is a woman; and grant her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered."

Love your wife by initiating spiritual leadership. Pray together. Worship together. Discuss your insight or lack of it in the scriptures. Most wives *want* you to be the spiritual leader. It doesn't matter if she knows more Bible than you, or if she has

been a Christian a lot longer. She *needs* for you to take the spiritual leadership. God made her that way.

You see, it is the husband's responsibility to be both spiritual and natural high priest and patriarch of the home. All too often marriage is based upon sensual, hormonal excitement that delights in "what you can do for me", rather than genuine deeply rooted, intimate love that goes far beyond the marriage bed; the love that says "you, as a person, my wife, are more important than my own desire".

Love your wife by establishing her position. She was created to be submissive with differing abilities than the husband. Her spiritual participation is vital, but the husband must take the lead. Your understanding her is vitally important. The wife is *not* of secondary position or stature to you. I stress again; she is *not* merely a vessel of convenience, servant or slave. She is to be treated with love and respect, equal in position but different in function. Without her, there are no children, or home. Your life is empty.

Failure to live in one accord, respect and understanding actually hinders your spiritual life. Your prayers are hindered and go unanswered or delayed.

Perhaps we can give some insight as to how most women function. Your life will be much happier if you take note of the following. We speak of general characteristics. There are always exceptions; some for the better, others – not so good.

God put desire unto her husband in every woman.

"To the woman He said, "I will greatly multiply Your pain in childbirth, In pain you shall bring forth children; Yet your desire shall be for your husband, And he shall rule over you."

Genesis 3:16 NAS

This goes far beyond a sexual desire of lovemaking with her husband. Like you, she also lives in a carnal body. It is filled with conflict between the natural and the spiritual. She has spiritual, emotional and physical needs. Sometimes, these seem to be in conflict deep within her.

Part of her wants to be submissive and dependent upon you. Another part wants to be independent and reject your authority and leadership. She will test and try you; she will do everything she can to rule over you, and at the same time hate herself and lose respect for you if she succeeds.

She *desires* that *you* take responsibility for making spiritual, financial and varied decisions, to govern and direct the

household, but her very nature demands participation in their formulation. She wants to put her total trust in you, but will have reservations and feel insecure until your actions prove your dependability. She is by nature, dependant and insecure but she also wants to be independent and self sufficient.

She despises restriction and discipline, but *desires* structure and stability. She *desires* and finds comfort in strict guidelines, but resents harsh enforcement. She *desires* to be treated gently with understanding love. At the same time she longs to have strong unwavering strength and self sufficiency. She wants to be carefree and unshackled. At the same time she *desires* to belong to you and be your “everything”. She *desires* to be your possession, but not owned by you. At the same time, she delights in fulfilling your slightest pleasure. She enjoys your tender gentleness, but *desires* you to be a strong, tough, man among men; her Knight in shining armor.

She *desires* to give all of herself to you, not just her body. She despises feeling as if she is good for nothing but your sensual gratification. She *desires* to give and receive intimacy because of *who she is, not what she is*. Many a husband has never experienced the sweet communion of his wife’s inner spirit or the glow of completely unrestricted love because he made her feel like a vessel for his sensual use, instead of the Queen of his domain, the very pride of his life.

Women have a unique ability to be responsive to sexual intimacy without releasing the full expression of their personal spirit. Make the effort to be romantic and caring, sensitive to her feelings of the moment. Let her feel the full impact of your love and respect. Acknowledge your appreciation; your devotion. Bask in her beauty and femininity. She will hold nothing back. You will be glad you did.

Love your wife; become her comforter and intimate friend. There are times that your wife needs to be held firmly, caressed and comforted in quiet silence. Other times she will thrive on romantic “pillow talk”. Sometimes she needs to share the pressures of the day or problems with the children. It may be concerns over finances or frustrations with friends. Whatever; remember she depends upon you for understanding and guidance. She doesn’t need for you to have instant solutions. She just needs to talk about it and know that you are interested. Don’t shut her out.

Love your wife by sharing yourself. Men are hesitant to discuss their inner feelings. For whatever reason, they find it difficult to disclose much of their inward being or daily experience. They often use the excuse that it will just cause unnecessary worry and concern. Even if this is true, remember that your wife is part of you. Not only does she want to know the details of your life, she has the right to know. There should be nothing in either of you that cannot be freely discussed.

Love your wife; learn to communicate. Communication is vital. A wise husband will not “tune out” his wife’s conversation. Being ignored is a wife’s greatest irritant. She feels rejected, unimportant and useless. She becomes an outsider and estranged from you when you become overly self centered. Listen carefully. She speaks a different language than you. “Yes” can mean “no, maybe, almost, perhaps, I don’t think so, if you say so” and a multitude of other things. It can even mean “Yes”.

Talk is not communication. Understanding what is said; is communication. The wise husband listens (and watches her body language) carefully. Women are prone to read and hear “Body language” more quickly than the spoken word. You may say the right thing, but she won’t hear you if a facial expression or physical action say something else.

Men take what is said literally. Women read between the lines, analyze all of the possibilities of what is meant and then come to a conclusion. All of this; in a split second. A wise husband will be sure she understood what you mean, not just what you say. In like manner, be careful to hear what she meant, not just what she said. Now! You have communication.

Love your wife by understanding how she thinks. Women think differently than men. They make decisions based on intuition and feelings. Men act upon factual information. Be thankful for this. God has given women abilities and insight that can’t be explained. Your wife is your buffer against unseen equations that can’t be perceived by facts alone.

God has given them ability to sense truth that cannot be substantiated at the moment. Does this mean that she is always right? No. But it is wise to carefully consider, add it to the equation being pondered and act accordingly. Right or wrong, most wives will be content with your decision. Your consideration demonstrates love and value for their contribution. Your wife needs to be heard. That is what matters. More often than not, you will find her contribution is filled with insight and wisdom. Be

thankful for it. The Holy Spirit, who reveals all truth, will give you insight and understanding if you seek Him.

Love your wife by knowing how she feels. Feminine emotions are unpredictable. They are the predominant element in a woman's daily experience. The same thing that brings joyful approval may cause tears and despair another time. Learn to accept this. Take time to be sensitive and understanding. It will pay great dividends. You may frantically ask, "What's wrong?" only to hear a reply, "I don't know, or I don't want to talk about it, or, you wouldn't understand". She is probably right. Be patient and considerate anyway.

Let the Holy Spirit give some insight. He will help you to know how to respond. She may need to be held; or not. She may need quiet time to put her thoughts together; or not. Perhaps she is simply embarrassed to be so emotional; or not.

There are times when tears are tremendous tools of manipulation. Learn when to be tender and supportive and when to be firm and assertive. Are you inclined to always cave in and let her have her way? She will have only contempt for you if you do. She needs a rock to stand on, not the whimsical shifting of quicksand or "Yes, Dear". Godly women hate that. They *desire* you to be a man, not a wimp.

Love your wife by getting to know her. Make the effort to become personally acquainted with your wife. It doesn't take long for an attentive husband to learn her unique characteristics. Recognize that she is the weaker vessel. She is dependant upon you to "right the ship" and bring calm to the scene. Ask God for insight and wisdom. He will give it to you.

A loving wife will suffer danger, hardship, hunger, trials and tribulations beyond imagination, for the husband who truly loves her. She needs to be wanted. She needs to be needed.

You see her desire to her husband is the underlying initiative of everything about her. Only you can cause her to mature into the wife that you need, without blemish or fault. She has intense desire to please you; to make you happy. She will be sensitive to your slightest wish and respond with love and appreciation.

Love your wife by establishing the atmosphere of your home. Men must dedicate themselves to the responsible obligation assumed in marriage. The husband is to set the standards of the household, not the wife. You are responsible for the environment, stability, and necessities of the home; to set the parameters

of the household and give clearly defined standards. Your Spiritual leadership must be firmly established. Your expectations understood, your desires confirmed.

The fragrant radiance and delightful attitude of your lovely bride is important in establishing the atmosphere of the home, but it will only endure if you fulfill your responsibility as husband after the honeymoon is over.

We can learn much about loving our wife by having the proper relationship with God. Wives look to their husbands for the same covering and security which we look for in Him.

He is holy and righteous but accepts and forgives those who are not. He is demanding and immovable, but gracious and patient. He requires submission, but delights in giving us the desires of our heart. He is a stern disciplinarian but tender and compassionate. He requires honor and loyalty, but is loving and lenient beyond measure, extending great blessing and reward. He is totally self-sufficient, and yet needs our fellowship and participation. He delights in perfecting his bride and revels in her Glory. He willingly accepted death for us, but gave us eternal life.

Love your wife by giving yourself. Love cannot be bought. I've listened to many women exclaim in the midst of streaming tears "He gives me everything that I need or want. That's not it. How can I make him know that I need *him*, not what he can buy me?" Others have cried, he treats me good, but he makes me feel so inadequate, I'm just a "thing" to him. I want to be of some value. I want him to need *me*. I need to know he loves me". Husbands respond, 'I don't know what to do. She ought to know that I love her. I give her everything she could possibly want."

Too many husbands just don't get it! Wives need from you what money cannot buy. Your love, respect, covering and protection, and above all, sharing yourself. They were made to be part of you.

Love your wife by being unselfish. Love puts the wellbeing of its target above self. Some men demand a luxurious, pleasurable way of life, never considering their wife and children; new cars, 4x4's, SUV's, boats and ATV's crowd driveways, leaving little money for food and clothing. Wife and children sacrifice and go without provision while husband and father live without constraint. This is wrong.

The husband who presents himself with the integrity, demeanor, and discipline of a *righteous man* will have little diffi-

culty in establishing a home filled with joy and peace. His wife will find it easy to submit to his leadership as the head of the house. She will blend beautifully with him, producing harmonious bliss.

Love your wife with knowledge. You can know and understand her. Take time to communicate, fellowship, befriend, and observe. Learn to listen. The Holy Spirit will give you insight.

Women reason and act upon emotions, intuitions and “feelings. It doesn’t have to add up, to work. They can’t explain “why” but they know it is the right way to go. Men act upon equation and fact. If it don’t add up it won’t work. God made your wife to fill your inabilities with balance. Learn to listen to her. She can give very valuable insight about situations and decisions that you will never see without her.

Love your wife through forgiveness and compassion. We must be to our wives as Jesus is to His bride, the church. Always be forgiving, longsuffering and patient. At the same time, be stalwart, strong and immovable. Become the rock of dependability. Cover her with loving security and protection. Provide firm standards of conduct, administering correction and instruction in the character of our Lord.

Believe it or not, these are exactly the qualities required to adequately love your wife. Every woman needs and looks for these attributes in a husband. She may not realize it, and even struggle against submitting to these standards, but she can never find peace and fulfillment without them. She will come to appreciate your action and love you for it.

Your wife needs to be one with you. She needs to feel safe and secure. Most of all she longs to be needed and wanted as a person. God has put within her the desire to depend upon your leadership. She *desires* you to provide covering and protection. Every wife wants to bring her husband abundant happiness and fulfillment.

Your wife *desires* you to take pride in her, to delight in her presence, to be the glory of your life. She is tremendously blessed when you *proudly* present her as your mate. She finds tremendous satisfaction in your accomplishments and *desires* to be included in the dreams and inspirations that produce them.

Love your wife with honor. The word “honor” means to value; to esteem in the highest degree; to treat with dignity. Your wife is the greatest gift, other than eternal life, that God can give

to you. A husband who appreciates the true value of his wife will have little difficulty in loving her properly.

Remember! We reap what we sow!

“Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.” Galatians 6:6-7 NAS

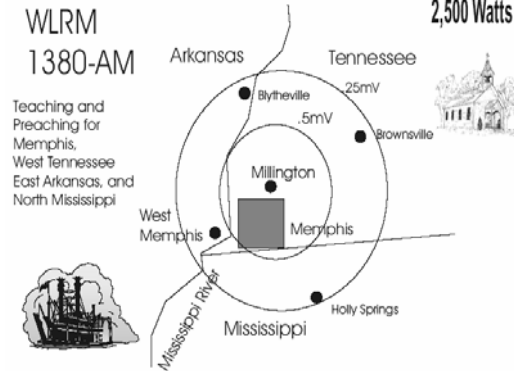
Now this I say, he who sows sparingly shall also reap sparingly; and he who sows bountifully shall also reap bountifully. 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 NAS

Be the man you should be; the husband she both desires and needs, and your reward will be great, beyond measure!

Your Tithes and Support at Work

On January 2, 2006, we added WLRM 1380-AM in Memphis, TN to our broadcasting schedule. The Memphis radio market size is ranked 46th in the nation, and the surrounding market is **over 1.7 million people**.

Our program is on from **6-7 pm, Central time, a prime drive-time market**. Please pray for it to be successful in reaching the remnant in the Memphis and surrounding area. This station provides over 80 religious and talk programs to the Memphis and surrounding communities.



We thank you for your continued prayers and support that make this and all of the ministry outreach projects possible.

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The Hand That Rocks The Cradle

If you have listened to Pastor Peters very long you know that the Pastor and I (his wife) lost our first beloveds to cancer years ago. We are now a family that has been pieced together by the merciful Lord Jesus Christ. We have a great blessing in that between us we have two very noble, loyal and wise daughters. This is:

A Tribute to Fine Daughters in Israel

by Nancy Peters

How wonderful it is to have someone to talk to when you're just not thinking so straight. Someone to say the right thing, just exactly what God would have you to hear and consider. All Christian women of Israel should be so fortunate as to have a sounding board who knows just how humorous our God can be and how zealous He is about using His Christian men to lead us.

My husband has correspondence a foot or two high at times that he is endlessly trying to catch up on. I thought about titling this writing, "I had a complaint about my husband once -but my daughter showed me I was wrong!" A dutiful husband must make so many decisions in a day's time that it is overwhelming to consider.



As a widow for a short time, I learned that all those decisions can be like a nightmare in the worst way, as I think I explained in a previous writing.

One day, as I was reflecting on a decision that was made 'different' than I thought it ought to be, my daughter reminded me of just what her step dad has been faced with, not so long ago. She reminded me of the fact that his

reply and advice seemed to parallel with advice and counsel given to the two daughters he helped raise (one being her). See, he helped put her through what we refer to as 'finishing school'. Just a few minutes later, when I got on the 'different counsel' again I received the most bold reply. It was like a slap in the face when I needed it most. It went like this, "*Ok, MOM, so maybe he could of responded better with your input...Helloooooooo...is this the first time ya figured out you didn't marry God?*"

Truly ladies, it is probably just fine with Jesus if we don't figure out we didn't marry God. We have (or should have) enough to tend to without trying to judge the decisions our man has made or has to make. We would likely all do well if we'd wait to offer our input when our men ask for it. Most importantly, offer your man peace in his castle.

Written with Love and Thanksgiving for Daughters.

P.S. Shhhh-don't you be telling my step-daughter her Dad isn't perfect!

Scriptures for America's 2006 Rocky Mountain Family Bible Camp!

We are pleased and blessed to announce our return to Camp Wondervu, in the majestic Rocky Mountains of Colorado, for the 2006 SFA Rocky Mountain Family Bible Camp, to be held July 30--August 6, 2006.

There is now *new staff* on hand as well as some *new facilities* at Camp Wondervu, including 2 new large dorms, 12 new hotel-type rooms and 4 new family rooms. There is also *plenty of room for tents and campers*. Recreational activities include rock-climbing, paintball, a rope-course, fishing in the recently stocked mountain-top pond, and good fellowship as well. **Plan now to attend!** More to follow!



Organic Wildcrafted Yarrow

Let us share with you a powerful medicinal herb freshly wild crafted from Mt. Hood's rich volcanic soils near Azure Farm.

There are many benefits in using Yarrow. One of the most commonly used treatments is for the recovery of stomach flu and fevers. The old time herbalist never took the temperature of his patient when there was a fever. By administering warm steeped Yarrow tea the result was free perspiration. Congestion was removed; the circulation was equalized. The treatment was easy, the results were sure, and the remedy was safe, simple and natural.

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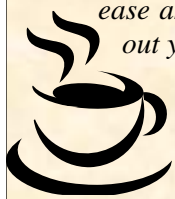
Treat yourself to this highly beneficial herb and see what it can do for you.

***Testimonials--**"There have been times when our children have experienced the stomach flu to the point of dry heaves. Now by simply having them sip slowly on a cup of warm yarrow tea we have had wonderful results in stopping the flu dead in its tracks. We are so thankful for this knowledge."*

Kimberly S.

"As a child I had a painful and itching case of hives to the point of not sleeping at night. But after bathing in a steeped yarrow bath, the itching was soothed completely and I was able to sleep in ease and comfort. I don't know what I would have done without yarrow."

Sarah S.



Recipe--1 Cup of Yarrow Tea--Bring 8 oz. of

water to a boil and add a generous pinch of yarrow (or more depending on severity of case). Remove from heat, cover and let steep for 10 minutes.

You can order this wonderful herb through **Azure Standard, 541-467-2230, or at www.azurestandard.com**. Ask for product **HS665-Yarrow, Wildcrafted, Organic**; and 3 ozs, (which makes approx. 60 cups of tea or 2 baths), is only \$4.70.

Yarrow has been noticed to have other benefits as well, such as a yarrow rinse on hair can keep the gray away. There are several good studies done on the benefits of this herb.

Book Review on

“Created to be His Help Meet”

by Debi Pearl

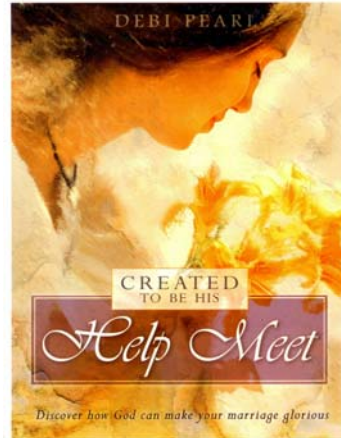
It is NEW and it is quite TRUE!

Aside from the very rare occasions (ie., they recommend that a wife call on an “authority” (911), the example the author refers to of the interracial marriage, and a few other things) Debi Pearl’s book is almost painfully honest and in good keeping with the Word of God.

From what we can tell, this author has spent her whole adult life dedicated to being first and foremost ‘her husband’s helpmate.’ She offers true life examples from several different women of the ways that can harm or even destroy a marriage, as well as several proofs of how God ‘s way works.

WARNING: This is not recommended reading for single women, but is highly recommended for married women (especially a new bride). Men, if you censor your wife’s reading material and would like a Pastor’s opinion or recommendation of the book, you can contact Pastor Applegate concerning it at Scriptures for America.

All in all, Mrs. Pearl (with her husband’s endorsement, we might add) does an excellent job of teaching, teaching and teaching women to “...*love their husbands, to love their children, to be sensible, pure, workers at home, kind, being subject to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be dishonored.*” Titus 2:4-5



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Have Insect-Like Aliens Invaded America?

The Bible instructs us to "Go to the ant" (Proverbs 6:6-11) and that is what we did in our Sunday message of December 11, 2005. That message can be



seen and heard on our website archives, www.scripturesforamerica.org. The Bible is clear concerning some kind of alien that rises over His people when we depart from our God .


"You shall have sons and daughters but they shall not be yours, for they shall go into captivity. "The cricket shall possess all your trees and the produce of your ground. "The alien who is among you shall rise above you higher and higher, but you shall go down lower and lower. Deuteronomy 28:41-43

As we pointed out in that message, one thing is for certain: the Devil is (1 Peter 5:8) and the children of the devil are (John 8:44) and they are described in many prophetic ways and terms in the Bible. One way is as insect vermin.

That is the way Joel describes them in Joel 1. Many mistakenly conclude that all of Joel is fulfilled because of the words of Peter (Acts 2:16). Not so. We are living that prophecy (Joel 1:4-7) right now (listen to the message delivered on 12/11/05, which will be sent out on the SFA Tape and CD Ministry).

The following is taken from the notes from that Sunday morning message, from an article which first appeared in TIME Magazine, June 11, 1965.

ENTOMOLOGY Subversion Among the Ants

The U.S. South knows few worse pests than the tiny fire ant, an uninvited guest that came up from South America nearly 50 years ago and settled down for a long visit. The little  insects bite people, raising painful lumps, attack livestock, nibble crops and foul up expensive farm machinery with their hard earthen nest mounds. For years nothing could check their spread: massive attacks with chemical dusts and sprays all failed. Now it looks as if the Department of Agriculture has finally found an answer to the curse of the fire ants: still smaller ants that seduce the fire ants into destroying themselves.

Social Parasite. Uruguayan scientists working for the department stumbled on the secret while they were searching for a fungus or a bacteria that might be fatal to fire ants. They discovered that in Uruguay, where the ants are native, they are no serious problem. Often they are so weak that they build flimsy nest mounds, which wash away in the rain. This suggested not an ant killer but a social parasite.

The nests contained various parasites, but the most important turned out to be another species of ants that live without concealment in the fortresses of the fierce fire ants and, by some mysterious influence, make their hosts support them in idle luxury. Usually, a few of the parasites cling to the fire ant queen by means of specially adapted mandibles that fit around her neck without hurting her. When a worker comes to feed her with regurgitated food, the parasites flutter their antennae, apparently conveying a compelling message that makes the worker feed the parasites instead of the queen.

The parasites that cling to the queen are females, and when she lays her eggs they lay eggs of their own. Dutifully, the fire ant workers care for both sets of eggs and raise the infant parasites just as tenderly as if they were young of their own species. The parasites thrive while their considerate hosts all but work themselves to death taking care of them. The fire ant economy is wrecked. The healthy parasites mate conveniently in the

nest, and then fly away to subvert and weaken other fire ant colonies.

Biological Weapon. The parasites have been found only in association with fire ants. Apparently, they cannot live except when fed by the fire ants with their regurgitations. This dependence makes them promising as a potent biological weapon. TIME, JUNE 11, 1965

The man who sent us the TIME Magazine article which we used in that sermon also sent us the following article from a magazine then called "The National Vanguard", from 1984. The following words from that article are good, up to a point. It does need to be pointed out that anti-Christ Jews are not the problem as so many have thought for so many years; just part of the problem of the tares in the wheat (Matthew 13:38). You see, they may all be tares, but not all tares are them. Also, the article conclusion that the problem is a biological one is in error as well. The problem is a spiritual problem for we must remember God made parasites. In Joel, God called the alien insect vermin His great army.

Then I will make up to you for the years That the swarming locust has eaten, The creeping locust, the stripping locust, and the gnawing locust, My great army which I sent among you.

Joel 2:25

Be that as it may, we thought the article worthy of consideration and thought, to get you to think outside of the box. **Wake up, America!**



The Biology of the Jewish Problem

The most depressing thing about the impending disaster facing Western civilization is the almost total lack of resistance on the part of those who will be the victims of the disaster. The men and women of the West, as if entranced or under the influence of some mind-numbing drug, not only are not doing anything to avert the cataclysm which lies ahead, but they are positively falling over themselves to aid and assist the engineers of that cataclysm in bringing it about. The murderer asks us for a knife with which to slit our throats and the throats of our children, and we hand him one with alacrity and enthusiasm, apologizing for not having done so sooner.

Ours is a situation which is so bizarre – so nightmarish – that it seems almost unreal. One must continually fight off the impulse to oneself, "This can't really be happening!" It may be helpful in coming to grips with our all too-real nightmare, therefore, to note that our situation, bizarre as it is, is not unique. There is a strikingly close parallel in the insect world.

And what is this "mysterious influence," this fire-ant liberalism, which blunts their xenophobic instinct and makes them tolerate the alien parasites in their midst? The scientists don't know, but they say it is transmitted from the parasites to the hard-working fire ants by a fluttering of the parasites' antennae, "apparently conveying a compelling message that makes the worker feed the parasites."

Shades of Jewish television! So the ant-parasites do it with antennae too! But the message the media masters convey to us through our TV antennae compels us to do far more than feed their bloodsucking tribe. It robs us of memory of the past and concern for the future. It perverts all healthy instincts. It turns racial pride into sick guilt. It undermines racial solidarity and gives us in its place self-hatred. It makes us abandon our own natural interests and serve instead the interests of the alien parasites and all the racial dregs of the globe.

In other words, just as in the case of the ants, it seduces us into destroying ourselves.

Thus, one never sees a Jewish bricklayer or a Jewish pipefitter, a Jewish lumberjack or a Jewish dirt farmer. Jews do not

create – they consume; they manipulate; they buy and sell; they pander; they peddle pills; they mimic; they scheme and shuffle their papers; they sit in their offices and give advice (for a price); they advertise; they strut and prate before the TV cameras (*their* TV cameras); they scribble lies for the newspapers; they flood our libraries and our bookstores with worthless or poisonous books (which we foolishly praise to the skies); they sicken our children's minds in the schools; they whisper advice into the ears of our politicians; they incite riots and lead demonstrations for "equality"; they judge us in our courts; they reveal our military secrets to our enemies; they own; they rent; they lend; they undermine; they subvert; they destroy.

And if there is any value for us in the observation of this amazing parallel between the fire ants and ourselves it is this: we can see that perhaps our problem is more than a political or a social or an economic problem; perhaps it is, more than anything else, a biological problem.

(And, as we pointed out earlier, a spiritual problem as well).



SFA Speaking Schedule for 2006

February 18 & 19--Dallas, TX

(We will be starting at noon on Saturday the 18th and wrap up around noon on Sunday the 19th, at the Clarion Hotel-DFW Airport South, Irving, TX (1-972-399-1010) near the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport. See you there!)

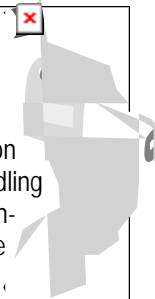
May 26, 27 & 28--Branson, MO

**July 31 through August 6--Rocky Mtn.
Family Bible Camp, Camp Wondervu, CO.**

Plan now to attend--

More information to follow

From the Mailbag



Hello Pastor Peters,

I just read about psychiatrist Judith Orloff, who is going to be on the Today show advising people about recognizing and handling "energy vampires." She says they suck your vital emotional energy. Just like you were telling us, not too long ago, about those that deliberately touch you to zap your energy. AZ

The words of the old hymn "*Were you there when they crucified my Lord*" remind me that the other message of the cross needs to be studied once again. If there is any doubt about the cruelty of those who hate God, then we need to take another look. As an engineer, I have studied the crucifixion technique. The crucifixion of Our Lord was designed to impart the absolute maximum amount of pain for the longest time possible. We need to remind ourselves that God's (our) enemy loves to destroy and to impart the maximum amount of pain as he pursues his evil.

How about the pain induced by them as you see your children turned into nasty little beasts who think they are no better than a bitch dog in heat, just for starters. The pain they induce lasts for generations. They crucified The Lord, and now they crucify His children.

Are we so ignorant that we can not understand just how evil those who hate God can be? Minnesota

Dear Pastor,

Thanks for that great poem you wrote some time ago about the horse "long shot" and the heart-breaking desire to win over insurmountable odds. Well done!!!!

I was very interested in your Sunday sermon on the ants and the Beatles. Most interesting, and the fixation or fascination with the antennas is an exact correlation to the Babylonian idiot box boob tube mesmerized sheeple trapped in the spell casting of a hypnotic trance like somnambulant automatons gleefully running along on the rat wheel of success. How much mammon is enough in Babylon? The patented reply must always be, "*Just a little more.*" Covet, covet, covet, as all the debt slaves race to keep up with the Jones'.

As this is a note with some random thoughts, it occurred to me that the staff of Moses is actually a weapon of choice amongst all shepherds. And, by the way, I, for one, am still waiting to hear the shopping mall story about you and your new staff! Maybe next Sunday!? I recall a book about St. Patrick herding sheep and watching over the flocks by night in the winter in cold Ireland. The snakes were still around, and there were plenty of wolves as well. Spending all night out in the cold and dark with no handy

rifles, nor .45 cal. pistols, but merely "Thy rod and Thy staff have been my comfort." The staff of Moses was a very powerful weapon, akin to a lighting rod with direct connection access to Almighty God. St. Patrick faired well in Ireland against the snakes, wolves and idolaters, with merely his staff to comfort and guide him. My dad used to carry a staff along with him in his car when traveling. It was an old axe handle. He always called it his "nigger knocker" and it served well as a deterrent to disaster on more than one occasion. The Irish have a nice rod of correction staff they call a "shillelagh". I'm sure you've heard that Irish song, "It's the same Old Shillelagh" a time or two around St. Patrick's Day. It was basically a tree branch with a good sized limb knot on the business end. They would coat them with butter and set them up inside the chimney all winter to season and cure, before breaking them out in spring time for heavy action. At that point you could more accurately call them "iron wood". A good staff is latent power, and he who wields the staff commands respect wherever he goes. Hikers always used a "walking stick" for the very same reason. Any dog or coyote or wolf knows full well when a man is armed with a staff to steer well clear or risk getting its' head bashed in. Also, as I'm sure you will soon teach on this, the "Book of Jasher" episode with Moses' staff being pulled up out of Reuel's Garden, is akin to King Arthur and the "Sword in the Stone".

Now for a piece I just ran across concerning the serpent sons of darkness, the minions of Satan. I was looking for the place in the book, "The Light and the Glory" about the first pilgrims at Plymouth Rock, and how 50% died that first winter. Death was more desired than life in chains with the Church of England as your master and the Tower of London your dwelling. A brutal New England winter devastated them big time, but God didn't wipe them all out, as the Good Shepherd kept His flock. But, take a look at the passages on page 202 & 203, with special highlight to the top paragraph on page 203, "*monster...horns and claws, the scales, etc.*" Here is a viable witness for your current series with very credible historic record. Check it out!

Thanks for all the great preaching and teaching! The audio and video live streaming from the church on Sunday mornings is fabulous. What a great thing to be able to have communion together and meet together at the church! Praise God and keep up the good fight of faith, warriors for our King Jesus!!!! Well done!!!
Via Email

Dear Pastor Peters,

I enjoyed today's sermon, It is interesting to note that evidence for the serpent/psychopath people is available both from the Bible and from secular sources, and the book you mentioned today. I will continue to swing the sword of prayer.
Via Email

Please keep this ministry and staff in your prayers.