

## FOCUSING ON THE FAMILY

### Part Four: A Recipe for a Good Marriage (cont.)

#### I. PREPARATION: SEEK A VIRTUOUS SPOUSE

#### II. UNION: PROTECT PURITY IN INTIMACY

#### III. COMMUNICATION: PRACTICE PROPER SPEECH

#### IV. SUBMISSION: REJECT SELFISHNESS AND \_\_\_\_\_

- Two applications:

##### A. To the contentious \_\_\_\_\_ in a marriage

- She is \_\_\_\_\_.
- She is \_\_\_\_\_.
- She is angry.
- She is \_\_\_\_\_.
- She is foolish and \_\_\_\_\_.

##### B. To \_\_\_\_\_ contention in a marriage

#### CONCLUSION: TWO BIBLICAL CASE STUDIES

##### 1. The wrong approach:

- \_\_\_\_\_ with David (2 Sam. 6:16, 20-23)
  - Her \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 16)
  - Her \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 20)
    - The criticism itself was wrong.
      - Both \_\_\_\_\_ and unfair.
    - How she criticized him was wrong.
      - With a sarcastic, contemptuous \_\_\_\_\_.
    - When she criticized him was wrong.
      - Before she heard his \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Her \_\_\_\_\_ from David (vs. 21-22)
  - Her \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 23)

##### 2. The right approach:

- \_\_\_\_\_ with Abraham (1 Pet. 3:1-7)
  - Her adornment (vs. 3-5a)
    - A beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ of meekness and quietness.
      - Meek = not selfishly insistent or \_\_\_\_\_, but gentle and kind.
      - Quiet = not mousy, but peaceful, tranquil, and not easily \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Her \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 5b)

- Her arrangement (vs. 6) = willingly under submission
  - What God says to a wife who lacks confidence in her husband's leadership:
    - \_\_\_\_\_ in God (vs. 5) = in the sense of hoping or expecting.
    - Don't be \_\_\_\_\_ of any fear (vs. 6).
- Her \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 6)
  - She called him \_\_\_\_\_.
  - She treated him and spoke to him with the greatest of respect.