

The Christian Husband: God's Design for Caring for Your Wife and Family

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The title “Husband” is perhaps the most common title given among men. It may be that the very common nature of it explains why so many people today are hard pressed to give any kind of working definition for what a husband is, or what he does. Married twenty years, and with over 1,500 radio programs and multiple seminars dealing with family life issues behind him, Lepine is well-qualified to comment on the matter. In uncompromising style, *The Christian Husband* addresses the critical role a husband plays, and confronts the confusion surrounding masculinity and the position husbands should hold in today's modern family. In doing so, it discusses three essential topics: Necessary Qualifications to be the Husband God Wants, The Role of a Husband and What a Husband Does. It calls for husbands to demonstrate moral courage and humble leadership, “nurturing and cherishing their wives as they would their own bodies.”

A committed Christian, Lepine expounds on the New Testament teaching of Ephesians 5:25 that “...a husband love his wife as Christ loved the church”—willing to die for her—caring for her and humbly serving her. He talks about “dying daily” to one's wife in selfless, sacrificial acts that clearly demonstrate her importance to him. It may sound simple, but it is not easy. As Lepine describes it, even while writing this book he regularly arrived home feeling like a hypocrite, realizing how often he failed in the sacred role he says God placed him in.

Intended for Christian men, *The Christian Husband* has plenty to say to any husband who desires a loving and committed marriage. Written with clarity and packed with examples, this often serious, sometimes humorous look at “husband-ing” invites men to tackle hard questions about their attitudes toward wife and family. *The Christian Husband* will both inspire and challenge readers as they discover what Lepine calls, “The assignment of a lifetime—the awesome honor of being called a Husband.”

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