Good Homes in a Wicked World

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INTRODUCTION

- There is no meeting going on anywhere tonight that's more important than this meeting. Because what we're discussing here not only affects society, but it has eternal ramifications.
- A house, ladies and gentlemen, is not a home. A home is a house with love in it, a place where domestic tranquility and family values exist, a place for growing, a place for learning.
- But we live in a society in a time where the home is being undermined.

1 These Are the Days of Our Lives

2 Timothy 3:1–7; 2 Peter 2:1–3; Isaiah 5:20

- They are graphically descriptions of what has happened. They look exactly like us today.
- He said, men will distort the truth, even calling good evil and evil good, according to Isaiah chapter 5 and verse 20.
- They have fragmented, for one thing, the family. Husbands have lost their way. Their role is ambiguous and ill-defined.
- Wives have left the home, thereby distorting the biblical view of the wife and mother.
- These are the days of our lives. This is where we live. This is what we see.

2 Return to the Basics

Genesis 2:24; Matthew 19:8–9; 1 Corinthians 6:9

- Good homes are a vital part of the answer. That's where it starts.
- First, you have to return to the basics. It's never out of order to get back to the original plan.
- Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife, and they twain shall be one flesh.
- One man for one woman for life is what God had in mind from the beginning.
- The arrangement is for all men for all ages, no matter the generations.

3 Return to God's Law of Order

1 Corinthians 11:3; Galatians 6:7

- We have a kind of a disregard for God's order in society. We must return to God's order in society.
- The head of every man is Christ, and the head of the woman is the man, and the head of Christ is God. That, ladies and gentlemen, is God's law of order.
- Subjection to the man no more indicates weakness in the woman when she submits to the headship of the man than it does in Christ when he submits to the headship of the father.
- Everybody has a role, and he must fit in that role, and when that role is distorted or becomes ambiguous, you're going to have problems.

- You're going to pay when you disrupt God's law of order. It just does not come right away. It will come, however, because whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

4 What It Takes to Be a Good Husband

1 Peter 3:6–7; Ephesians 5:25; Proverbs 5:15–18

- A husband must begin by grasping tenaciously his role of spiritual headship. He must honor his wife.
- Dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife as unto the weaker vessel, as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers be not hindered.
- Husbands love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church and gave himself up for him. Would you die for your wife? That's how you're to love her.
- You must appreciate your wife. Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favor of the Lord.
- Satisfy your sexual needs with the one that God gave you.
- The passage says that the man needed help. And because he needed help, God made a help suitable for him.

MY NOTES