



What The World Needs Now:

**Christian
Homes**

Homes Like Abraham's

“¹⁶Then the men set out from there, and they looked down toward Sodom. And Abraham went with them to set them on their way. ¹⁷The Lord said, “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, ¹⁸seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? ¹⁹For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing righteousness and justice, so that the Lord may bring to Abraham what he has promised him.”

– Genesis 18:16-19

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- 1 Corinthians 7:12-16 – “¹²To the rest I say (I, not the Lord) that if any brother has a wife who is an unbeliever, and she consents to live with him, he should not divorce her. ¹³If any woman has a husband who is an unbeliever, and he consents to live with her, she should not divorce him. ¹⁴For the unbelieving husband is made holy because of his wife, and the unbelieving wife is made holy because of her husband. Otherwise your children would be unclean, but as it is, they are holy. ¹⁵But if the unbelieving partner separates, let it be so. In such cases the brother or sister is not enslaved. God has called you to peace. ¹⁶Wife, how do you know whether you will save your husband? Husband, how do you know whether you will save your wife?

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- 1 Peter 3:1,2 – “Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives— 2 when they see your respectful and pure conduct.”
- Joshua 24:15 – “And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. **But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.**”

What The World Needs Now: Homes Where Children Are Trained Up

- Ephesians 6:1-4 – “Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ²“Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), ³‘that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.’ ⁴Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.”

Some Things We NEED!

- Chastisement – Hebrews 12:6,7 – “For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.” ⁷It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline?
- Consistency – Ephesians 6:4 – “Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but **bring them up** in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.”

Some Things We NEED!

- Christlike Communication – Ephesians 4:29 – “Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.”
- Charity For God – Deuteronomy 6:4-7 – “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ⁵You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. ⁷You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.”

What The World Needs Now: Homes Where Those In It Love Each Other

- Kindness – Ephesians 4:32 – “Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.”
- Forgiveness – Matthew 6:14,15 – “For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.”

What The World Needs Now: Homes That Practice The Golden Rule

- Matthew 7:12 – “So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.”
- Proverbs 24:29 – “Do not say, “I will do to him as he has done to me; I will pay the man back for what he has done.”
- Luke 6:31 – “And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.”