

## *'The Way To Pray For Your Man' 1Peter 3:1-7*

Praying for your mate results in a God loving \_\_\_\_\_ that results in each partner \_\_\_\_\_ to each other and \_\_\_\_\_ how they live so their relationship grows strong.

1. Wives, pray for your man to develop a \_\_\_\_\_

"Saul was the most handsome man in Israel – head and shoulders taller than anyone else in the land." 1Samuel 9:2; "God removed Saul and replaced him with David, a man about whom God said, 'I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart. He will do everything I want him to do.'" Acts 13:22

"The Lord's eyes scan the whole world to find those whose hearts are committed to him and to strengthen them." 2Chronicles 16:9

2. Wives, pray for your man to \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ as you in turn honor him.

"Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ" Ephesians 5:21

'Submit' means that the husband and wife willingly put each other's \_\_\_\_\_ as they put \_\_\_\_\_ in their lives.

"In the same way, you wives must accept the authority of your husbands. Then, even if some refuse to obey the Good News, your godly lives will speak to them without any words. They will be won over by observing your pure and reverent lives. For instance, Sarah obeyed her husband, Abraham, and called him her master. You are her daughters when you do what is right without fear of what your husbands might do." 1Peter 3:1-6

"In the same way, you husbands must give honor to your wives. Treat your wife with understanding as you live together. She may be weaker than you are, but she is your equal partner in God's gift of new life. Treat her as you should so your prayers will not be hindered." 1Peter 3:7

'observe' (2) – become a \_\_\_\_\_ of your wife; 'honor' (7) – to perceive as \_\_\_\_\_; 'hindered' (7) – \_\_\_\_\_

Men, love your wives \_\_\_\_\_!

"The husband provides leadership to his wife the way Christ does to his church, not by domineering but by cherishing... Husbands, go all out in your love for your wives, exactly as Christ did for the church – a love marked by giving, not getting. Christ's love makes the church whole. His words evoke her beauty. Everything he does and says is designed to bring the best out of her, dressing her in dazzling white silk, radiant with holiness. And that is how husbands ought to love their wives. They're really doing themselves a favor – since they're already "one" in marriage. No one abuses his own body, does he? No, he feeds and pampers it. That's how Christ treats us, the church, since we are part of his body... this provides a good picture of how each husband is to treat his wife, loving himself in loving her, and how each wife is to honor her husband." Ephesians 5:23-33

Your home should be like a powerful \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Wives, pray for your man to be a great \_\_\_\_\_ to your children

"Parents, do not treat your children in such a way as to make them angry. Instead, raise them with Christian discipline and instruction." Ephesians 6:4

Train and discipline them \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Wives, pray for your man to be \_\_\_\_\_ at anything his heart desires

"I alone know the plans I have for you, plans to bring you prosperity and not disaster, plans to bring about the future you hope for." Jeremiah 29:11