

WISDOM

# Wisdom and Family

Proverbs

- I. Three things a marriage needs.**
- II. Three things children need.**
- III. Three ways to honor your parents.**
- IV. Three ways Jesus sets our hearts free.**

**I. Three things a marriage needs.**

**Covenant.**

**Friendship.**

**Romance.**

# I. Three things a marriage needs.

## Covenant.

*2:16-17. So you will be delivered from the forbidden woman, from the adulteress with her smooth words,  
17 who forsakes the companion of her youth and forgets the **covenant** of her God;*

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# **I. Three things a marriage needs.**

**Traditional Marriage- Status**

**Contemporary Marriage- Fulfillment**

**Biblical Marriage- Covenant.**

**A declaration of present and  
future love.**

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## Friendship.

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17 who forsakes the **companion** of her youth and forgets the covenant of her God;*



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**Friendship:**

**Two people on a common  
journey.**

# I. Three things a marriage needs.

## Covenant + Friendship.

*Ephesians 5:25-27. Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup> so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.*

# I. Three things a marriage needs.

## Romance.

*5:18-19. Let your fountain be blessed,  
and rejoice in the wife of your youth,  
<sup>19</sup> a lovely deer, a graceful doe.*

*Let her breasts fill you at all times with  
delight; be intoxicated always in her love.;*

# I. Three things a marriage needs.

## Romance:

- The overflow of the covenant.
- The end not the beginning.

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**II. Three things children need.**

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## II. Three things children need.

**Instruction.**

**Discipline.**

**Delight.**

## II. Three things children need.

# Instruction.

*4:10-11. Hear, my son, and accept my words,  
that the years of your life may be many.*

*<sup>11</sup> I have taught you the way of wisdom;  
I have led you in the paths of uprightness.*

*<sup>12</sup> When you walk, your step will not be hampered,  
and if you run, you will not stumble.*

*<sup>13</sup> Keep hold of instruction; do not let go;  
guard her, for she is your life.*

**II. Three things children need.**

**The essence of  
parenting is to train up  
in wisdom.**



## II. Three things children need. **Instruction.**

*22:6. Train up a child in the way he should go;  
even when he is old he will not depart from it.*

**Children need instruction- a path.**

## II. Three things children need.

# Instruction.

*23:26. My son give me your heart, and let your eyes delight in my ways.*

- Instruction must come from the your heart and guide to God's heart.
- Requires time, presence, word, touch. listening- a relationship.

## II. Three things children need.

# Discipline.

*22:15. Folly is bound up in the heart of a child, but the rod of discipline drives it far from him.*

- **Remove folly- Help child see their own sin and consequences.**
- **Authority: not anger or passivity.**

## II. Three things children need.

# Discipline.

*3:11-12. My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline  
or be weary of his reproof,  
<sup>12</sup> for the Lord reproofs him whom he loves, as a  
father the son in whom he delights.*

**Motivation: Love and a changed heart.**

## **II. Three things children need.**

### **Never discipline without instruction.**

- Relationship reassurance- the same one who disciplines should instruct.**
- Grace and forgiveness.**
- Listening and understanding.**
- Creating a new path.**

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# Delight.

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12 for the Lord reproves him whom he loves,  
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# Delight.

*Matthew 3:17. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy." (NLT)*

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**III. Three ways to honor your  
parents.**

**IV. Three ways Jesus sets your heart free.**



III. Three ways to honor your parents.

**Listen to them.**

*23:22. Listen to your father who gave you life, and do not despise your mother when she is old.*

**III. Three ways to honor your parents.**

**Let them see their wisdom in you.**

*23:24-25. <sup>24</sup> The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; he who fathers a wise son will be glad in him.*

*<sup>25</sup> Let your father and mother be glad; let her who bore you rejoice.*

III. Three ways to honor your parents.

**Forgive them.**

*20:20. If one curses his father or his mother, his lamp will be put out in utter darkness.*

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**Jesus is our ultimate spouse  
and he reconciles us to our  
ultimate father.**

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idolatry of family.**

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**-(Co)dependence.**

**-Independence.**

**-Interdependence.**

**IV. Three ways Jesus sets our hearts free.**

**Jesus brings us into our  
eternal family.**



**IV. Three ways Jesus sets our hearts free.**

**Is your heart free?**