

◆ **“Living in” with a boyfriend is good.**

And when the lazy man, who was not expected to make any commitment, is ready to leave, what price has the modern Eve paid?

◆ **“Divorce is better than living with a man I just don’t love any more.”**

It is common today for men and women to enter marriage with the attitude that “if this doesn’t work out, we’ll just get a divorce.” With that basis on which to build, how many marriages will weather the challenges and the storms? And who usually has the more difficult life after the divorce? God forbids divorce (Mark 10:4-9).

What Is the Cure?

Actually, it is simple. First of all, there must be a re-evaluation of all of these factors that have become so distorted in our culture of humanism. **The way for a woman to make that re-evaluation is to immerse herself in God’s word, looking for all the keys given there.** He made women; He made marriage; He made the home. It is only logical to conclude that the directions in His book will mold us so that we can live safely and happily in this world.

◆ **The critical “first thing” is a total commitment to God.**

God is “for” godly women, for stable marriages, and for happy homes. A commitment to

God will ensure that the wife cannot violate these principles or relinquish these goals.

◆ **The second requirement is her commitment to her husband.**

God’s plan, according to Genesis 2:23,24 and Ephesians 5:22-31, is for the wife to be voluntarily in subjection to her godly husband, who is to cherish and protect her.

◆ **She must be ready to sacrifice for the good of her family.**

The godly wife will put the needs and happiness of her husband and family before her own, and the result will be the happiest of lives, in return, for herself.

◆ **She must let God’s Word govern her behavior, her attitude, and her dress.**

A wife who is observant, thoughtful, compassionate, and loving toward the husband for whom she continually prays will be rich.

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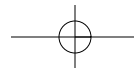
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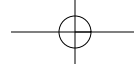
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What a mess satan has made of our culture! We have allowed him to warp the thinking on men (I've even read that they are virtually obsolete now; we don't need them in our modern world, because their first tendency is to fight — the source of all the wars.), on women, on the home, on divorce, on homosexuality, on suicide, on abortion, on marriage, on infidelity — on the creation and God and religion. The thinking of much of our population concerning all of these subjects is exactly the opposite of what it used to be — and the opposite of what the Scriptures teach.

Is the world a better place because of our experiment in ungodliness? Obviously not. Crime, suicide, divorce, mental illness, and every other type of atrocity has mushroomed in the past fifty years. A survey, taken back then, concerning the greatest fears in a child's heart listed fear of the dark, of storms, and of doing poorly in school. What are the fears today's children face? Abuse, divorce, terrorism. What a different world!

"Humanism" is the primary root cause of this crisis, as the world is on the slippery slope

of self destruction. And one of the most effective tools humanism has used to bring us to this point has been to assault the modern Eve. Yes, she has been listening again to that old serpent, and she has believed his lies. And yes, again, Adam has been with her, but has not fulfilled his responsibility of protecting his wife and his home from the death that will surely come from eating the forbidden fruit.

Name the Lies!

◆ **Being a career woman is good.**

Sixty years ago satan began to convince husbands and wives that the wife *could, should*, and sometimes *must* work outside the home. Granted, there are situations in which there is literally no choice: she must earn the living, or help to do so, or the family will go hungry. But more often, the wife works because there is the desire for more of the extras of this world's goods. And at least part of the payment for those extras is made from the husband/wife relationship, from the mother/child relationship, from the home, and from the spiritual life of the family.

It takes time to nurture any relationship, and that is what is consumed when there is a full-time job outside the home. Sadly, the workplace also becomes the scene of "friendly" relationships that often cause two divorces and endless heartache.

◆ **Women's "liberation" is good.**

Absolutely the most effective degradation of women has come through the lie of "equality". No, women are not second-rate humans by creation, but many have made themselves low-grade by following this part of humanism's culture. Women are now "equal" — they can even be hired to do the hard, heavy work that used to be reserved for men. In their "equality" and willingness to accept immorality as a way of life, they have often been left with the lifetime consequences of an abortion, or with the financial, emotional, and spiritual responsibilities of raising children alone.

◆ **Dressing stylishly — lewdly — is good.**

In their stupidity, many women "make merchandise of themselves" by showing off their bodies in sickening ads. And many, in their daily life, parade through the world in semi-nakedness, and then cry "foul" when men respond to their message of "here for the taking".

◆ **Having the children in daycare is good.**

Mothers relinquish the rearing of their children — their most precious possessions — to strangers. Yes, when there is no choice, this necessity is a tearing of the heart — but there are mothers who can't wait for Monday, to get back to the office and to get those noisy kids out of their hair.

