



Why So Many Broken Homes?

Immodest Attire. 1 Timothy 2:9; 1 Peter 3:1-4; Proverbs 7

- ▶ Looks can kill. Matthew 5:28
 - cf. Pornography.

Contrast

<p>1 Timothy 2:9</p> <p>Not</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Braided hair - Gold, pearls - Costly raiment <p>But</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Modesty - Shamfastness - Sobriety - Professing godliness - Quietness 	<p>1 Peter 3:1-4</p> <p>Not</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Braided hair - Outward adorning - Jewels, Apparel <p>But</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hidden man of heart - Meek & Quiet
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Quarreling. Galatians 5:15
 An arrogant, self-willed domineering person will find himself alone (2 Corinthians 12:20; Galatians 5:20; Col. 3:8).

- ▶ *Proverbs 15:17 "Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith."*
- ▶ *Proverbs 19:13b "The contentions of a wife are a continual dropping."*
- ▶ *Proverbs 26:21 "(As) coals are to hot embers, and wood to fire, So is a contentious man to inflame strife."*
- ▶ *Proverbs 26:20 "For lack of wood the fire goeth out; And where there is no whisperer, contention ceaseth."*

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Materialism ... Matthew 6:33; Ecclesiastes 5:10; cf. Achan-Joshua 6-7

- ▶ Respectable worldliness. Luke 12:15ff; Luke 14:15
- ▶ Riches provide danger. 1 Timothy 6:9-10
- ▶ Rich man and Lazarus. Luke 16:19, 25,27-31
- ▶ **Think ahead.** Luke 14:28
- ▶ **Keep good records.** *Proverbs 24:3-4 "Through wisdom is a house builded; And by understanding it is established; And by knowledge are the chambers filled With all precious and pleasant riches."*
- ▶ **Get educated.** *Proverbs 14:15 "The simple believeth every word; But the prudent man looketh well to his going."*

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In-Laws.

- ▶ Leave and cleave. Genesis 2:24; Matthew 19:5; Ephesians 5:31
- ▶ Two may be at fault.
 - Selfish parents who will not let go.
 - Young person unwilling to cut the apron strings.
- ▶ Parents are to be honored. Matthew 15:4; cf. 1 Timothy 5:3-4

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Unwise use of leisure time.

- ▶ While it is true that *"all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy"* it is also true that, *"Playing together means staying together."*
NOTE: Ecclesiastes 9:9
- ▶ Create pleasant memories before the evil days come ... Ecclesiastes 12:1ff; cf. Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

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Alcohol or Drug use.

- ▶ Drunkenness is condemned. Proverbs 20:1; cf. Proverbs 23:29-35

*1 Peter 4:3 "For the time past may suffice to have wrought the desire of the Gentiles, and to have walked in lasciviousness, lusts, **winebibbings, revellings, carousings,** and abominable idolatries."*

Galatians 5:19 *pharmakeia* is "the use or the administering of drugs ... poisoning ... sorcery, magical arts" and then adds the comment "often found in connection with idolatry and fostered by it." It means in general, the illicit use of drugs.

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Preoccupation.

Ephesians 5:25 "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself up for it"

*Ephesians 5:28-29 "Even so ought husbands also to love their own wives as their own bodies ... for no man ever hated his own flesh; but **nourisheth** and **cherisheth** it, even as Christ also the church."*

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