

# Faithful Christian Man

## Introduction

1 Corinthians 11:2-3 Now I praise you, brethren, that you remember me in all things and keep the traditions just as I delivered them to you. But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, **the head of woman is man**, and the head of Christ is God.

1. **Paul praises the Corinthians for their obedience to the apostolic traditions which he gave to them.**
2. **However, there was a problem of authority in this congregation.**
3. **Paul sets forth the authority structure for the whole universe.**
4. **This does not reflect value, but authority.**
5. **It is, therefore, reflected within these verses that men are above women in the authority chain and as a result of this, they have added responsibility.**

## Man Must Be A Christian Servant

1. **A faithful servant of God.**
  - A. **He reads and studies God's word daily**

Psalms 1:1-3 Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; **But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.** He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.

- B. He is faithful in attendance for all assemblies called by the elders of the church.
  - C. He is faithful in carrying out what he is asked to do.
  - D. He is faithful in using his talents in the service of the kingdom.
2. A faithful deacon in God's church.
- A. He is first and foremost a faithful Christian.
  - B. He recognizes the need to relieve.  
**Acts 6:1-6**
  - C. He recognizes that he is an official servant.  
**1 Timothy 3:8-13**
3. A faithful elder in God's church.
- A. He is first and foremost an example of faithful Christian manhood.
  - B. He recognizes the need to watch over the flock and bears that responsibility.

Hebrews 13:17 Obey those who rule over you, and **be submissive, for they watch out for your souls**, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.

Acts 20:28 Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, **to shepherd the church of God** which He purchased with His own blood.

- C. He exhorts in sound doctrine, and convicts the gainsayer.  
**Titus 1:5-9**

**D. He does not “Lord” over the flock.**

**1 Peter 5:1-3**

## **He Must Be A Christian Husband**

**1. A faithful leader.**

**A. He is the head of the wife and the family.**

**Ephesians 5:22-33**

**B. He bears the responsibility for the direction of the family.**

**C. He is not a authoritarian. He leads in love.**

**2. A faithful husband.**

**A. He takes knowledge of his wife.**

1 Peter 3:7 Husbands, likewise, dwell with them with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered.

**B. He loves his wife. (As we read in Ephesians 5:22-33 earlier).**

**C. He is faithful to his wife.**

**Romans 7:1-3**

Hebrews 13:4 Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

**3. A faithful Christian friend. Tenderly affectioned toward her.**

**Romans 12:9-16**

**4. Finally, the faithful example of Christian manhood has parental responsibilities.**

## He Must Be A Christian Father

### 1. A faithful example. Like Abraham.

Genesis 18:19 For I have known him, in order that he may **command his children and his household after him, that they keep the way of the LORD,** to do righteousness and justice, that the LORD may bring to Abraham what He has spoken to him."

### 2. A faithful disciplinarian.

Ephesians 6:4 And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but **bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.**

Proverbs 13:24 He who spares his rod hates his son, But **he who loves him disciplines him promptly.**

### 3. A faithful friend.

Proverbs 18:24 **A man who has friends must himself be friendly,** But there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

## Conclusion

### 1. The faithful example of Christian manhood is faithful in his....

- A. Service to God.
- B. Responsibilities as a husband
- C. Responsibilities as a father

