Families In Focus

"Biblical Portraits Of Husbands & Wives"

Introduction: 1. In previous lessons, we have examined the Biblical roles God has put in place for husbands and wives.

- 2. If we could but learn to do it God's way, it will certainly work.
- 3. In this lesson, we want to take a brief look at the marriages of several Biblical characters and see just how important it is to be a godly husband or wife.

I. Abigail & Nabal (A Dutiful Wife And A Foolish Husband)

- A. (1 Samuel 25:1-44).
- B. "Two heads are better than one."
- C. (Ecclesiastes 4:9-10).
- D. How often have your words and actions been restrained by the good counsel of your wife?

II. Hosea & Gomer (A Dutiful Husband And A Foolish Wife)

- A. (Hosea 1-3).
- B. Hosea was not only forgiving, but affirming and loving.
- C. Mistakes will be made, but how wonderful it is when we can forgive.

III. Ananias & Sapphira (Co-Conspirators)

- A. (Acts 5:1-11).
- B. They needed someone, one of them, to stand up for what was right.
- C. A Husband's influence can be great (Ephesians 5:23).
- D. A Wife's influence can be great also (1 Peter 3:1-2).

IV. Aquilla & Priscilla (Co-Workers)

- A. (Acts 18:1-3) Paul stayed with them.
- B. (Romans 16:3-4) Risked their lives for the gospel.
- C. (Acts 18:24-26) Taught Apollos.

Conclusion:

- 1. We can see from the above examples how a home can be saved if one per son will take a stand.
- 2. But how much greater would it be if both parties were in love with the Lord first and then with each other?
- 3. Determine to make your home an alliance for good for the sake of your children and God's kingdom.