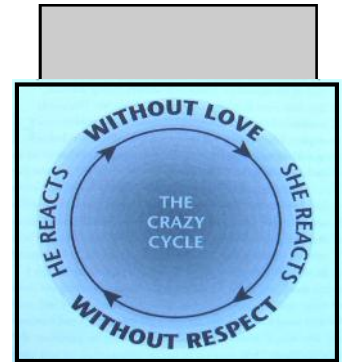




“How Can I Make My Husband Become The Spiritual Leader?”

1. Realize the spiritual dimension. II Cor 10:4, Eph 6
2. See God and His eternal Word to us as the solution. Heb 4:12
3. See self as part of the problem. The Crazy Circle idea
4. Time for a fresh start:
 - A. Prayer: 1. Surrender to God and His ways, 2. Confess sins of anger and unforgiveness, 3. Praise to God for His deliverance Ps 50:23
 - B. Crown your husband as king (leader)
 - > Embrace God’s call—to be a wife, supporter, follower, helper, encourager - “he must increase and I must decrease”
 - > Ask for wisdom daily to defer, honor, praise, die to self, to see husband’s gifts, strengths, sacrifices, and contributions.
 - > Pray for grace to follow husband’s leadership.
 - > Pray for husband: Malachi 4:6
 - > Thank God for answers as they come.
 - > Teach the children to honor their dad: Eph 6:2
 - Praise (not criticize) Dad in front of children
 - Tell them to “ask Dad” for permission, info, and help
 - Teach them thankfulness for / to their Dad
 - “Thanks for going to work for me today, Dad”
 - > Don’t compare him to other husbands: this is the romance story God has called you to. He will do his miracles for you as you bring your situation into His presence. Psalm 91:1 “Is anything too hard for Me?” Gen 18:14
5. What are the guarantees?
 - A. God is with you. Heb 13:5 “never leave nor forsake you.”
 - B. God will give you grace. II Cor 12:9, Heb 4:16- “grace to help in time of need.”
 - C. God will give you the WILL to do this. Phil 2:13
 - D. You will reap a harvest. Gal 6:9 “if we faint not.”
 - E. Your husband’s heart is in the hand of the Lord. Pr 21:1-he can be changed!
 - F. God will direct you. Pb 3:5 “acknowledge Him and He will direct your paths.”
 - G. God will be pleased with you.



“...and he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, And the hearts of the children to their fathers, Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.”
Mal 6:4

He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.” Ps 91:1

Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because he who has suffered in his body is done with sin. As a result, he does not live the rest of his earthly life for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. I Peter 4:1-2

Hey, I Object ! This isn’t fair. Why do I have to do it all?

- Are you going to disobey God because your husband isn’t obeying God?
- Suffering is part of being a Christian in this fallen world. I Peter 4:1,2
- It is your suffering for doing good that is pleasing to God. I Peter 2:20
- A quiet and gentle spirit is required, it may lead to his conversion.
“In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any *of them* are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of their wives, as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior. “ I Peter 3:1,2

‘Are you more spiritual than your husband, do you have more faith, are you more gifted, more devoted, more self-controlled? Then use all of your superior spirituality to follow God’s will for you; crowning your husband as the head of the family. And don’t tell me it can’t be done - my mother did it!’ Pastor Jack McMaster See I Pe 4:10

The Real Romance story you are involved in is not between you and your husband; it is the romance of you and your savior; Jesus Christ.

