



# Bless This Home

## Family Essentials

### Key Scripture

Proverbs 4:3 NCV

It takes wisdom to have **a good family**, and it takes understanding **to make it strong**.

### Your Important In God's Family

2 Samuel 7:18-19 ERV

18 Then King David went in and sat in front of the Lord. David said, "Lord God, why am I so important to You? **Why is my family important? Why have you made me so important?**

19 I am nothing but a servant, but Lord God, you have also said these kind things about my future family. Lord God, you don't always talk like this to people, do You?

### Why the Family's Important To God? Provide...Protect...Prepare

#### Prepare For A Blessing

✓ **Honor God with your giving.**

Malachi 3:10 CEV

Bring the entire ten percent into the storehouse, so there will be food in My house.

Then I will **open the windows of heaven and flood you with blessing after blessing**.

✓ **Honor God by treating people better than they deserve.**

1 Peter 3:9 NLT

Don't repay evil for evil. Don't retaliate with insults when people insult you. Instead, **pay them back with a blessing**. That is what God has called you to do, and **He will bless you** for it.

✓ **Honor God by caring for other family members.**

1 Peter 3:7 TLB

...Remember that **you and your wife are partners in receiving God's blessings**, and if you don't treat her as you should, your prayers will not get ready answers.

### Take God At His Word...And Receive A Blessing

2 Samuel 7:28-29 ERV

28 Lord God, you are God, **and I can trust what You say**. And you said that these good things will happen to me, your servant. 29 **Now, please, bless my family**.

Let them stand before You and serve You forever. Lord God, You Yourself said these things. **You yourself blessed my family with a blessing that will continue forever**.

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### Family Essentials...

#### 1. Live Out A Real Faith

Joshua 24:15 NLT

...But **as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord**.

#### 2. Create Family Margins

Psalm 39:5 TLB

My whole lifetime is but a moment to You. Proud man! Frail as breath!

A shadow! And **all his busy rushing ends in nothing**

Ecclesiastes 4:6 GNT

...it is better to have only a little, with peace of mind, **than be busy all the time** with both hands, trying to catch the wind.

#### 3. Help Your Family Discover Purpose

Romans 8:28 NLT

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of **those who love God and are called according to His purpose for them**.

1 Corinthians 14:26 ERV

...The **purpose** of whatever you do should be **to help everyone grow stronger in faith**.

#### 4. Choose Life Giving Relationships

Proverbs 27:19 TLB

A mirror reflects a man's face,

but **what he is really like is shown by the kind of friends he chooses**.

Proverbs 13:20m Message

Become wise by walking with the wise; hang out with fools and watch your life fall to pieces.

#### 5. Receive God's Grace and Give It Away

Ephesians 4:31-32 GNT

31 Get rid of all bitterness, passion, and anger. No more shouting or insults, no more hateful feelings of any sort. 32 Instead, be kind and tender-hearted to one another, and **forgive one another, as God has forgiven you through Christ**.

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