

Ask For The Old Paths

Jeremiah 6:16 Thus says the LORD: "Stand in the ways and see, And ask for the old paths, where the good way is, And walk in it; Then you will find rest for your souls. But they said, 'We will not walk in it.

I. Ask For The Old Paths Of Morality

Romans 1:21-22 because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Professing to be wise, they became fools,

Romans 1:24-32 Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, 25 who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. 26 For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even their women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature. 27 Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due. 28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting; 29 being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness; they are whisperers, 30 backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful;

II. Ask For The Old Paths Of Family

Proverbs 31:27-30 She watches over the ways of her household, And does not eat the bread of idleness. 28 Her children rise up and call her blessed; Her husband also, and he praises her: 29 "Many daughters have done well, But you excel them all." 30 Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, But a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised.

Proverbs 17:6 Children's children are the crown of old men, And the glory of children is their father.

Proverbs 20:7 The righteous man walks in his integrity; His children are blessed after him.

Psalms 127:3 Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, The fruit of the womb is a reward.

"Since marriage constitutes slavery for women, it is clear that the women's movement must concentrate on attacking this institution. Freedom for women cannot be won without the abolition of marriage" (Sheila Cronin, leader for NOW)

"We can't destroy the inequities between men and women until we destroy marriage." (Robin Morgan)

"The nuclear family must be destroyed... Whatever its ultimate meaning, the break-up of families now is an objectively revolutionary process." (Linda Gordon)

"Marriage has existed for the benefit of men; and has been a legally sanctioned method of control over women... We must work to destroy it." (*The Declaration of Feminism*, 1971)

"Being a housewife is an illegitimate profession... The choice to serve and be protected and plan towards being a family-maker is a choice that shouldn't be."

(Vivian Gornick, feminist author, University of Illinois, The Daily Illini, April 25, 1981)

**"The most merciful thing a large family can do to one of its infant members is to kill it."
(Margaret Sanger, founder of Planned Parenthood, in "Women and the New Race," p.67)**

"It is no tragedy either on a national scale or in an individual family, for children to be raised without fathers." (Nancy Polikoff, The Deliberate Construction Of Families Without Fathers)

**"Single mothers by choice and lesbian homes are the best environment for boys."
(Peggy Drexler, Raising Boys Without Men: How Maverick Moms Are Creating The Next Generation Of Exceptional Men.)**

**"By the year 2000 we will, I hope, raise our children to believe in human potential, not God."
(Gloria Steinem, editor of MS magazine)**

Psalm 127:1 Unless the LORD builds the house, They labor in vain who build it;

Proverbs 14:1 The wise woman builds her house, But the foolish pulls it down with her hands.

Proverbs 6:32 Whoever commits adultery with a woman lacks understanding; He who does so destroys his own soul.

Proverbs 29:15 The rod and rebuke give wisdom, But a child left to himself brings shame to his mother.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

Ephesians 5:33 Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Ephesians 6:1-4 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 2 "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise: 3 "that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth." 4 And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

Titus 2:4-5 that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, 5 to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed.

III. Ask For The Old Paths Of Justice

Deuteronomy 16:19 You shall not pervert justice; you shall not show partiality, nor take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and twists the words of the righteous.

Proverbs 29:4 The king establishes the land by justice, But he who receives bribes overthrows it.

Proverbs 29:14 The king who judges the poor with truth, His throne will be established forever.

Proverbs 24:23-24 These things also belong to the wise: It is not good to show partiality in judgment. 24 He who says to the wicked, "You are righteous," Him the people will curse; Nations will abhor him.

Ecclesiastes 8:11 Because the sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

Proverbs 25:5 Take away the wicked from before the king, And his throne will be established in righteousness.