## Covering My Husband in Prayer

'But the LORD came down to look at the city and the tower the people were building. "Look!" he said. "The people are united, and they all speak the same language. After this, nothing they set out to do will be impossible for them!"" (Genesis 11:5-6 NLT)

God's words in Genesis 11:6 are very clear; where people are united, nothing will be impossible for them. This is true in marriage. God's desire is that every married child of His has a great and lasting marriage, where each person feels valued and appreciated, together fulfilling God's purpose on the earth. Unfortunately we have an enemy who knows that when we are united, we are unstoppable, so he does his best to divide us.

When you pray for your husband you are going a fair way to build unity in your marriage and counter the enemy's attempts to divide you.

Come alongside and be a co-labourer with God in seeing His purposes fulfilled in your husband's life through prayer. As you go on this journey, our prayer is that your love for each other will grow. A praying wife is a terror to the kingdom of darkness.

Give my husband the vision that You have put in place for this family, that he may lead us in the way You would have us go. If people can't see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves; but when they attend to what he reveals, they are most blessed. Proverbs 29:18 (The Message Bible)

Give him the grace to provide leadership to me and the family the way You do for Your church. Help him to choose graceful, cherishing leadership over a domineering kind. The husband provides leadership to his wife the way Christ does to his church, not by domineering but by cherishing. Ephesians 5:22-24 (MSG)

Teach him to put You first in his everyday life; help him to seek Your Kingdom and Righteousness, and remove worry and anxiety from his heart. Steep your life in Godreality, God-initiative, God-provisions. Don't worry about missing out. You'll find all your everyday human concerns will be met. Matthew 6:33 (MSG)

Help him delight himself in You, so that the desires of his heart can be met. Help him to trust You completely and to stick with You always. Get insurance with God and do a good deed, settle down and stick to your last. Keep company with God, get in on the best. Psalm 37:3-4 (MSG); But blessed is the man who trusts me, God, the woman who sticks with God. Jeremiah 17:7 (MSG)

Thank You for giving him the ability to make wealth; help him to never think he is strong enough to do it by himself, or to abuse his opportunities. If you start thinking to yourselves, "I did all this. And all by myself, I'm rich. It's all mine!"—well, think again. Remember that God, your God, gave you the strength to produce all this wealth so as to confirm the covenant that he promised to your ancestors—as it is today. Deuteronomy 8:17-18 (MSG)

Help him to value our marriage more than he already does, to trust me and to value my strengths, while helping me work on my weaknesses. Valuables are safe in a wise person's home; fools put it all out for yard sales. Proverbs 21:20 (MSG)

Help him keep relationships and company that will have a positive impact on him; direct his path to places that You want him to be, that he may always abide in You. Don't become partners with those who reject God. How can you make a partnership out of right and wrong? That's not partnership; that's war. Is light best friends with dark? Does Christ go strolling with the Devil? Do trust and mistrust hold hands? 2 Corinthians 6:14-15 (MSG)

Teach me, as a wife, to humble myself before You in the service of my husband, knowing that when I do this, You will elevate me to even greater stature in his sight. Get down on your knees before the Master; it's the only way you'll get on your feet. James 4:10 (MSG)

Give me the grace to encourage him when he is faced with challenging times. Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now, and don't get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow. God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes. Mathew 6:34 (MSG)

Teach me to satisfy him in the marriage bed and not to be selfish by seeking my own satisfaction. The marriage bed must be a place of mutuality—the husband seeking to satisfy his wife, the wife seeking to satisfy her husband. Marriage is not a place to "stand up for your rights." Marriage is a decision to serve the other, whether in bed or out. 1 Corinthians 7:4 (MSG)

## RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

- 1. Power of a Praying Wife by Stormie Omartian
- 2. 40 Prayers to Strengthen Your Marriage (40 Prayers Series) by D. Duane Engler



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