

From the Family Room

**Creekwood Church of Christ
Mobile, AL**

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Wife Appreciation Day



Her husband praises her saying, "There are many fine women, but you are better than all of them."

Proverbs 31:28-29

Enjoy life with the woman whom you love all the days of your fleeting life which He has given to you under the sun; for this is your reward in life and in your toil in which you have labored under the sun.

Ecclesiastes 9:9

You are altogether beautiful, my darling, beautiful in every way.

Song of Solomon 4:7

The need to be appreciated is one of our deepest needs. We require frequent reassurance that we are valued and regarded favorably. Statements and actions showing appreciation are among the most effective ways to nurture and enhance a marriage. Couples should be active in ways such as this to create a marriage that is close, enduring, and satisfying.

Husbands and wives in strong marriages often express a great deal of appreciation for each other. They build up each other psychologically. We all like to be with people who make us feel good about ourselves. A wife who is appreciated and built up will feel close to her husband. They will have a strong marriage that empowers the wife and the husband to enjoy life with each other.

Today is Wife Appreciation Day. I am sure that each husband here expresses appreciation to his wife on a regular basis. However, today each husband should go the extra mile to express his appreciation to his wife in her love language. Maybe she hears love and appreciation in words of affirmation. She may hear appreciation in quality time spent together. Her love language may be acts of service. She may feel most appreciated when she receives gifts. Or she may feel most appreciated by physical touch.

In the way that is most meaningful to the wife, a wise husband expresses his appreciation for his wife often and effectively. A successful marriage is a win/win relationship where both partners feel they receive a high level of personal satisfaction most of the time. One partner cannot succeed while the other loses. Please clearly communicate to your wife how much you appreciate her.

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