BALANCING HOME AND CAREER

Genesis 2:24; 1 Timothy 5:8; 2 Corinthians 3:3.

God Almighty, our Creator, the Chief Architect and manufacturer of our lives so designed it for us to be complete in Life by giving us a functioning, producing, productive, and prolific home and career in life. For this reason, we have no excuse for not handling the God-given gift with all Wisdom and jealously guiding them both from falling away from my hands. Being a woman, we are made to be Mothers of nations and pivotal in multiplication in Society. Greater responsibilities lie on our shoulders so we cannot afford to be careless with our lives and duties.

A home is a social unit formed by a family living together and having things in common: father, mother, and children.

Career is a profession that we feed on it can be private or public in practice. Balancing the two above is to strike an equilibrium between the two or maintain the equilibrium. In any case, the home should be given more attention because it is a permanent structure that determines the future. A career can be changed at any time. The wisdom needed to balance the two I pray God will release to us in Jesus' name amen.

Three subtopics to simplify the message:

- **1.** Divine principle to balance the home and the career.
- **2.** Destructive problems contending against the home and career.
- **3.** Divine pattern to balance home and career.

1. DIVINE PRINCIPLE TO BALANCE THE HOME AND THE CAREER.

Proverbs 31:10–22; Genesis 1:3; Proverbs 22:29; James 1:5; Galatians 5:22,23.

These principles are:

- Light: you need the light of God in your soul to be able to lead aright.
- Wisdom: to keep the home and be effective at work (Proverbs 14:1).
- Diligence: hard-working and focus is expected of you.
- Sound mind: it is by sound mind you can produce positive results (2 Timothy 1:7).
- Knowledge and understanding: competency of the structure of your home and career (Isaiah 11:2).
- Time consciousness and agility: (Ecclesiastes 3:1, Proverbs 31:15).
- Healthy life and hygienic environment: 3 John: 2 be a good chef.
- Submission and obedient life: (Ephesians 5:25).
- Love, forgiveness, and respect: (1 Corinthians 13:13; 1 Peter 4:8).
- Possession of the fruit of the spirit: (Galatians 5:22,23).
- Virtues and patience: (2 Peter 1:5,6).
- Obedience to the commission given to you: occupy till I come Luke 19:13 be profitable to be promoted and be increased in all areas.

2. DESTRUCTIVE PROBLEMS CONTENDING AGAINST THE HOME AND CAREER.

1 Timothy 6:10; Proverbs 14:1; Ephesians 4:13; Galatians 5:19-21.

The involvement and displacement of works of the flesh in a woman create problems at home and place of work. Unsaved, unregenerated souls find it difficult to tolerate or endure any hardship or insult. A shortcut leads to bondage and captivity. This mar the future generation of such women. Jezebel, Delilah, and Saphira are a few examples to mention in the Bible.

We shall consider the problem in a tabular form

HOME

Arrogance and anger

Bitterness

Carelessness and an unconcerned attitude

Dirtiness and disobedience

Ego, envy, exposure to dangerous and evil counselors

Fighting, fear, and no Focus

Grudges and grievances

Horrible odor and hatred

Indifferent, impatient to the need at home

Jealous and joyless

Knowledge is not there

Lawlessness and laziness

Modernization maliciousness murmuring

Nagging and neglected

Obesity and Operating in the Dark

Proud, prayerlessness

Quarrelsome

Restless

Selfish and self-centered, sluggish, sickly, stress, keeps secret

Talkativeness, treacherous

Unfaithfulness

Violent

Witchcraft behaviour, worldliness

X-ray of evil incarnate

Yielding to evil influence

No zeal

CAREER

Absenteeism, adultery

Corruption and compromise

Destructive discouragement

Gambling with life

Indebtedness, introduction to evil practice

Love of Money

Material Pursuit, meaningless ambition

Progress hindered, perplexity of life

Senseless of manipulation, suffering in silence

transfer of aggression

John 15:5 Without Christ ye can do nothing. The solution to the above problem is only in Christ Jesus.

3. DIVINE PATTERN TO BALANCE HOME AND CAREER

John 15:1-5; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; 2 Corinthians 3:3; Mark 13:33; 1 Peter 2:19; 2 Peter 1:3,4.

We have many examples of women in the Bible who balance home and career in their lifetime, a few of them are virtuous women, Sarah, Deborah, Esther, Ruth, Virgin Mary, Priscilla, and Dorcas. In this contemporary time, we have Susanna Wesley, Catherine Booth, Mummy Kumuyi, and many others. May you be counted among them in Jesus' name. You need Jesus Christ in your boat to give you Wisdom Grace and Direction all the time. Let us spell them out quickly:

- **A** Adjustment.
- **B** Building home and career simultaneously, burden bearer.
- **C** Courage and consistency in caring, compassionate, counselor, communicating well and often, champion cooperation with your husband and conquering together, confessing positively and taking to correction, chef.
- **D** Discipline, dress well at home and place of work never deny your household of your attention, dependable.
- **E** Excellent in goal setting and actualizing them, economist, Express Yourself.

- **F** Faithful, fruitful, fearless, forgiving easily and focus, financially balanced.
- G Godly and gracious.
- H Humble, honest, hard-working, hospitable, healthy, and heaven in view the drive.
- I Intelligent, industrial, instructor.
- J Jovial and joyful.
- **K** Keeper and knowledgeable.
- **L** Love, loyal.
- M Manager, mental, mother.
- **N** Networking and neat.
- O Obedient.
- **P** Prudence, planner, prayerful, promotable, patient, and promising woman over generations (Proverbs 3:1).
- Q Quality woman, Queen (1 Peter 2:9).
- **R** Respectful, Royalty mantle, reliable, repent and restitute where necessary, responsible.
- **S** Selfless, salvation, sanctification experiences in place, sensitive, soldier, and solicitor.
- **T** Transparency, timely, teacher, trainer, treasurer.
- **U** Unique, unity, and understanding at home and place of work.
- **V** Virtuous and vigilant.
- W Watchman, wisdom of God in place.
- X X-ray of excellent woman.
- Y Wilderness to the will of God at all cost.
- **Z** Zealous to good work to do exploit.

Esther 2:17 Ecclesiastes 12:13 Grace and favor

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter, fear God, and keep his commandments for this is the whole duty of man or woman