

THEME: BUILDING A GOD CENTERED HOME
TOPIC: THE GOD FACTOR & LOVE PART II
TEXT: PSALM 127:1, JOSHUA 24:15, COLOSSIANS 3:14,
1 CORINTHIAN. 13:1-8

INTRODUCTION

This week, we are looking at part two of our study on “Building a God Centred Home” which is designed to help us understand God’s blueprint for building a successful home. Drawing from Scripture and practical wisdom, the study explores the 12 Master Pillars that sustain strong marriages and healthy families.

Every strong structure begins with a solid foundation. No matter how beautiful a building appears, its longevity depends on what it is built upon. In the same way, a home—whether a marriage, family, or household—cannot thrive on emotions, intentions, or convenience alone. God designed the home to function on **spiritual principles, not just human effort**. Scripture reminds us: **Psalm 127:1**

A thriving home requires two essential pillars:

- ✓ The God Factor (spiritual alignment)
- ✓ Love (relational connection)

Without these, homes become vulnerable to pressure, conflict, and breakdown. With them, homes become places of peace, growth, and purpose.

B: LOVE — THE BINDING FORCE

The Relational Power That Holds Everything Together

Key Scriptures

- **Colossians 3:14** – Love binds everything together in unity
- **1 Corinthians 13:1–8** – The nature of true love
- **Ephesians 4:2–3** – Maintaining unity through humility and patience

Understanding the Four Dimensions of Love

It should be noted that God designed love to be multi-dimensional:

- **Philo** — Friendship (companionship, shared enjoyment)
- **Eros** — Romance (intimacy and attraction)
- **Storge** — Family affection (natural care)
- **Agape** — Covenant love (selfless, unconditional commitment)

Key Message: Most homes struggle because they rely on **Eros (feelings)** but neglect **Agape (which is commitment)**.

Characteristics of Biblical Love according to 1 Corinthians 13:4-8.

True love is indeed:

- Patient when frustrated
- Kind when irritated
- Forgiving when offended
- Selfless when wronged
- Humble, not prideful
- Enduring even when tested

Key Message: Love is not proven in easy moments—it is rather revealed in difficult ones.

Warning Signs That Love Is Growing Cold

- Constant criticism instead of encouragement
- Emotional withdrawal and silence
- Lack of affection and appreciation
- Harsh or reactive communication
- Pride over reconciliation

These don't happen suddenly—they grow gradually when love is **not maintained intentionally**.

Practical Ways to Build Love Daily

- Speak intentional appreciation (“Thank you,” “I value you”) – **Ephesians 4:29, 1 Thessalonians 5:11**
- Pray together—even briefly – **Matthew 18:19-20, Ecclesiastes 4:12**
- Schedule quality time, not just shared space – **Songs of Sol. 2:10-13, Mark 6:31**
- Learn each other's emotional needs – **Philippians 2:3-4, 1 Peter 3:7, Romans 12:10**
- Practice quick forgiveness (do not let offense grow) – **Eph. 4:26-27, Colossians: 3:13**

Summary Truth: Love doesn't grow by chance—it grows through intentional, daily actions rooted in God's Word.

KEY TAKEAWAYS FROM THIS STUDY

- A strong home is built spiritually, not just emotionally
- God's presence stabilizes everything in the home
- Love must be practiced, not assumed
- Intentional habits create lasting relationships
- Spiritual alignment and love must work together

CONCLUSION

Be reminded that a God-centred home is not built overnight—it is built daily through intentional choices.

When love is practiced according to God's standards:

- Relationships are often deepened
- Healing becomes possible within the home
- Unity becomes natural

Joshua declared: “As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.” This is not just a statement—it is a decision repeated daily.

What one change will you make this week to build a more God-centred and love-filled home?

PRAYER

- Teach us to love with patience, kindness, and humility.
- Let Your presence fill our atmosphere and let genuine love flourish continually.