## Silent and Loving

L/O: For our young daughters to learn about being silent and loving from their youths up. As we know many of us are not naturally raised to have such attributes. It is imperative for our daughters to learn this so that they grow up being rightly instructed in God's laws and in the way that a woman should be.

#### Sirach 6:18

My son, gather instruction from thy youth up: so shalt thou find wisdom till thine old age.

#### TEACH:

My daughter, gather instructions from your youth up on how to become a silent and loving woman so that you will be wise, feminine and loving.

# Definition of silent:

## Dictionary

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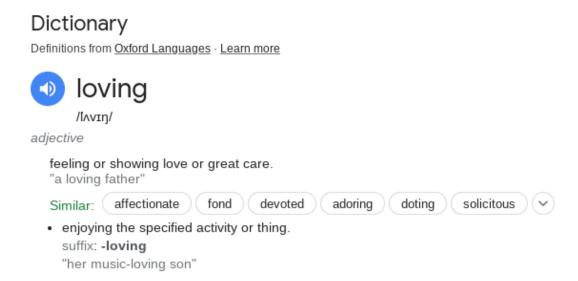


adjective not making or accompanied by any sound. "the wood was still and silent" Similar: completely quiet still hushed inaudible noiseless soundless (of a person) not speaking. "she fell silent for a moment" speechless quiet unspeaking wordless voiceless dumb mute Similar: · not expressed aloud. "a silent prayer" unspoken wordless undeclared unexpressed Similar: unsaid unstated

Silent also goes into being silent in our spirit, in our mind.

Question: what are some examples of situations that may cause you to not be silent in her mind?

You may get corrected or someone may do something that you do not like that makes you not quiet within your spirit.



TEACH: Being loving is a vital part of being feminine, but there another aspect of being loving is applying God's laws

#### 1 John 5:3

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous

This scripture helps to become silent and loving, learning to keep God's laws joyfully. Learning how to obey our parents and finding it a joyful thing which will make us silent and loving.

## Exodus 20:12

Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

This also applies to a man and his wife, what does the Bible instruct the wives to do in her marriage? Answer: Submit!

## Ephesians 5:22

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the LORD

This is something that wives must do, having a silent and loving spirit. Let's take a look at the foremothers that had a silent and loving spirit.

#### 1 Samuel 25:3

Now the name of the man was Nabal; and the name of his wife Abigail: and she was a woman of good understanding, and of a beautiful countenance: but the man was churlish and evil in his doings; and he was of the house of Caleb.

Foremother Abigail was a beautiful woman of good understanding that was married to a man that was evil and churlish.

<sup>\*</sup>read dramatically to a child under 8\*

## 1 Samuel 25:17 - 19

- 17 Now therefore know and consider what thou wilt do; for evil is determined against our master, and against all his household: for he *is such* a son of Belial, that *a man* cannot speak to him.
- 18 Then Abigail made haste, and took two hundred loaves, and two bottles of wine, and five sheep ready dressed, and five measures of parched *corn*, and an hundred clusters of raisins, and two hundred cakes of figs, and laid *them* on asses.
- **19** And she said unto her servants, Go on before me; behold, I come after you. But she told not her husband Nabal.

Abigail heard of what her husband had said and done, she was made aware of the bad consequences that he was to face and she made haste to save his life without making him aware of the situation.

## 1 Samuel 15:23

- **23** And when Abigail saw David, she hasted, and lighted off the ass, and fell before David on her face, and bowed herself to the ground,
- **24** And fell at his feet, and said, Upon me, my lord, upon me let this iniquity be: and let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak in thine audience, and hear the words of thine handmaid.

- **25** Let not my lord, I pray thee, regard this man of Belial, even Nabal: for as his name is, so is he; Nabal is his name, and folly is with him: but I thine handmaid saw not the young men of my lord, whom thou didst send.
- **26** Now therefore, my lord, as the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, seeing the LORD hath withholden thee from coming to *shed* blood, and from avenging thyself with thine own hand, now let thine enemies, and they that seek evil to my lord, be as Nabal.
- **27** And now this blessing which thine handmaid hath brought unto my lord, let it even be given unto the young men that follow my lord.

She knew how to speak in a loving and respectful manner to help defuse the issue between her husband and David.

## Question:

If she did not have a silent and loving spirit, what would have been the outcome?

## Answer:

She may have allowed her lord Nabal to go through the consequences which would have affected her also. Both herself and Nabal would've died and we would not have Abigail as a foremother that is an excellent example to us.

When we are not silent and loving, we can lack patience and begin to have hatred because we did not like what was said or done to us.

#### 1 Samuel 25:28 - 35

- **28** I pray thee, forgive the trespass of thine handmaid: for the LORD will certainly make my lord a sure house; because my lord fighteth the battles of the LORD, and evil hath not been found in thee *all* thy days.
- 29 Yet a man is risen to pursue thee, and to seek thy soul: but the soul of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of life with the LORD thy God; and the souls of thine enemies, them shall he sling out, as out of the middle of a sling.
- **30** And it shall come to pass, when the LORD shall have done to my lord according to all the good that he hath spoken concerning thee, and shall have appointed thee ruler over Israel;
- 31 That this shall be no grief unto thee, nor offence of heart unto my lord, either that thou hast shed blood causeless, or that my lord hath avenged himself: but when the LORD shall have dealt well with my lord, then remember thine handmaid.

- **32** And David said to Abigail, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which sent thee this day to meet me:
- **33** And blessed *be* thy advice, and blessed *be* thou, which hast kept me this day from coming to *shed* blood, and from avenging myself with mine own hand.
- **34** For in very deed, *as* the LORD God of Israel liveth, which hath kept me back from hurting thee, except thou hadst hasted and come to meet me, surely there had not been left unto Nabal by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall.
- **35** So David received of her hand *that* which she had brought him, and said unto her, Go up in peace to thine house; see, I have hearkened to thy voice, and have accepted thy person.

Because of Abigail's silent and loving nature she had saved her husband's life, and stopped David from shedding blood. She trusted in God and God dealt with her husband rather than another fellow Israelite man dealing with the matter. She helped David see his potential as she prophesied to him that he will be the king to rule over Israel.

# **Closing and Review:**

- 1. What does it mean to be silent?
- 2. What does it mean to be loving?

- 3. What are some examples of not being silent and loving?
- 4. What are some examples of being silent and loving?
- 5. What did foremother Abigail do that showed that she is silent and loving?
- 6. What did you learn from this class?

End of class.