

Handout 1—Class 12

A HUSBAND'S ROLES

- A. Love and serve your wife.**
- B. Be faithful to her.**
- C. Lead your wife with love.**
- D. Be Gentle, understanding and patient.**
- E. Seek her counsel.**
- F. Trust her and help her grow.**
- G. Be spiritually solid.**

A WIFE'S ROLES:

- A. Be the husband's helper, friend and lover.**
- B. Draw close to God.**
- C. Submit to the husband's authority.**
- D. Be faithful to him.**
- E. Be patient and forgiving.**

Those who are married, whether husband or wife, must remember that their job is NOT to make their mate into the best wife or husband they can be. Their job is to make themselves into the best mate (and parent) that they can be. We are to work out our *own* salvation with fear and trembling (Phil 2:12), *not* the salvation of another person. When people make themselves into the "best mate possible," they make it easier for their mate to be the "best spouse possible," too.