

Hey guys, how's it going? This is Jacqueline, the unimportant homemaker and today lets talk about keepers at home.

I don't want to debate the merits of obeying the scriptures to come home and serve the family because those who don't want to do all the will of God will always have reasons why they personally cannot. Following the other words in Titus 2 is completely fine and right but this one, keeper at home, is a deal breaker for some women. I don't even need to break out the concordance because we all know exactly what this is and what it entails and our obedience and motives are our own and truthfully, if we don't want to submit ourselves to this high call, no amount of explanation will make this palatable and desirable.

I just want to talk about the worthiness of the pursuit of homemaking and how it is most glorifying to our Lord because it is what HE wants. I have a long playlist about homemaking and my experience and why we ought not become too boastful of our privilege so I will link that down below.

The homemaker does not stay home for the sake of staying home. She is in her home to guard it. She watches over her marriage. She watches over her children. She manages her home well.

As a wife, she pours into her marriage, learning from other women how to have a successful marriage, how to live & act around a man, how to safeguard her relationship in a pure manner. She becomes an expert on her guy and hones her skills to be a good wife. Excelling as a wife and woman doesn't cause offense to her in any way. She doesn't feel inferior but instead, knows exactly what she means to her man and she enjoys his devotion and affections towards her. The homemaker keeps guard over her time with her husband and becomes a godly influence to win him to God or to be his faithful

companion. She won't let outsiders cause her to disrespect, neglect or abandon her marriage vows but will instead distance herself from them and shield her eyes, ears and heart from lies and efforts to shipwreck her marriage. She has her antennae up to spot charlatans who teach bad things to unsuspecting wives, refusing to let them influence her or shut her out from the blessing of marriage.

A keeper of the home knows what's happening in her home. She is aware and watchful. She looks at her children's face, she notices if their shoulders are sagging, she searches their words to hear "heart drops" little sayings they say as a way of masking pain or anxiety and she can see up under that phrase to reach out to them with love and compassion. She is careful of what their eyes watch, what their ears hear and the company they are allowed to keep.

The innocence and purity of her babies is extremely important to her and she keeps guard against the defiling culture around them. The homemaker is usually also the homeschooler as she wants to live life alongside her children and teach them a biblical education and instill life-giving traditions and moral values they will never get from the world system.

A keeper is different from a stay at home mom and a work from home mom. The Keeper is consumed with the running of her home. She isn't just avoiding working or building her business or punching a telework clock but she is invested in her work of managing her home and making it run effectively and lovingly.

As the homemaker, her primary focus is to be on serving the needs of her husband, her children and her home. If she becomes distracted by activities outside her home to the neglect of the needs of her husband, her children and her home then she will feel, rightly so, that

she has failed the primary mission God has given to her as a wife. So she works hard at it, not for the honor she could receive from her family but because the Lord God is her everything and she loves to please Him in all respects.

As the keeper, she is careful to never let outside work or influences succeed at the expense & neglect of her first duty to her home. I personally struggled to give my all to my home and my family while employed, or even with a lot of volunteer work I did for my mother's business. After being 'on' for hours to serve others, I turned off when I hit my own door and retreated to my room for a mental break.

The keeper at home, the homemaker is walking counterculture to the society around her, preferring instead to trust God and render service unto Him for His glory and she would do well to not be bullied into diminishing her service in order to make other women feel secure. This life of hers isn't about them, it isn't even about her because to live is Christ.

What about you? How do you guard your home as the keeper? Let us know down below in the comments section. That's it for today guys thank you for joining me, I'll see you next time.