

## "What Every Wife Needs from Her Husband"

"His Needs/Her Needs" by Dr. Willard Harley is one of the best marriage books around. Through many years of counseling couples he has determined what basic needs men and women tend to have.

\* **Important Truth (Disclaimer)** – True Happiness comes from  
a \_\_\_\_\_.

### The 5 Love Needs of a Wife:

#### **I. \_\_\_\_\_ – The first thing she cannot do without.**

1. Affection is the physical expression (display) of love and is  
a woman's \_\_\_\_\_.  
***"Husbands, \_\_\_\_\_ your wives, just as Christ loved  
the Church, and \_\_\_\_\_ Himself up for her." Ephesians 5:22***
2. When a husband shows his wife affection, he is telling her:
  - A. You are \_\_\_\_\_ to me, and I'll take care of you.
  - B. I'm \_\_\_\_\_ about your problems. I am with you.
  - C. You've done a \_\_\_\_\_, and I'm so proud of you.
3. Some displays of affection are:

- _____	- cards/notes	- _____
- _____	- _____	- invitation to _____
- back _____	- phone calls	- holding _____
- _____	- sitting _____	- help with the _____
- _____	with her	
4. From the woman's point of view, affection is the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ of her relationship with her husband.
5. When it comes to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, you cannot  
have one without the other.

#### **II. \_\_\_\_\_ and Openness. – She needs to trust him totally.**

***"But speaking the \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ we are to grow up  
in all aspects into Him, who is the Head, even Christ." - Eph. 4:15***

1. Every healthy relationship is built on \_\_\_\_\_. (comes with time)
2. Reasons husbands lie:
  - A. The \_\_\_\_\_/born liar.
  - B. The \_\_\_\_\_ liar. (pressure)
  - C. The \_\_\_\_\_ liar. (he feels the truth is too much for her)

- D. Or a claim to \_\_\_\_\_ in order to hide things.
3. If a marriage is based on the couple being "one flesh" (Gen. 2:24)
    - A. A husband \_\_\_\_\_ her questions truthfully.
    - B. Must avoid lies of \_\_\_\_\_.
    - C. Must readily \_\_\_\_\_ information.
  4. If a spouse wants to really know "where the other is at" it is helpful if they have a \_\_\_\_\_ so there are no games/evasions.

**LIKE:**

**III. \_\_\_\_\_ Support. – She wants to not worry about money.**

1. Financial pressure puts \_\_\_\_\_ on a wife. **Prov. 18:9 "slothful"**
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is a good thing in order to know where your money is going.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ to a lower lifestyle can restore harmony to a home.

**IV. \_\_\_\_\_ Commitment. – She wants him to be a good \_\_\_\_\_.**

1. Women have a powerful \_\_\_\_\_ to create a family.
2. But they want a husband who will take \_\_\_\_\_ in this family to commit themselves to the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ development of the children.

**Proverbs 22:6 – "Train up"**

3. Some of the things wives wish husbands would do for their children:
  - A. Have \_\_\_\_\_ together.
  - B. Be a good \_\_\_\_\_.
  - C. \_\_\_\_\_ family meetings.
  - D. \_\_\_\_\_ together.
  - E. Take the lead in \_\_\_\_\_ training.
  - F. Be a good \_\_\_\_\_.
  - G. Attend the children's \_\_\_\_\_.
  - H. \_\_\_\_\_ to the children before bedtime. (and pray)
  - I. Control \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The best husband is a \_\_\_\_\_.

**V. \_\_\_\_\_ – She needs her husband to \_\_\_\_\_ to her.** (we'll tackle this "**BIG ONE**" next week)