

## Fellowship 1

### A Holy Marriage for God's purpose

- I. Married life is the foundation of the family life, and the family life is the basis of our daily life, and our daily life is the basis of the church life; this shows the crucial importance of our married life - Heb. 13:4
- II. Marriage is ordained by God and important to God - Gen. 2:18; Matt. 19:4-5
- III. We need to live the life of a God-man in our married life - Gal. 2:20; Phil.1:21a; Eph. 5:18-33; Col. 3:16-19
- IV. Issac's marriage was not common nor merely for his human living; it was for the fulfillment of God's eternal purpose - Gen. 21:12; 24:1-4
- V. We need to be deeply impressed with the best marriage in the Bible - the model marriage of Boaz and Ruth - Matt. 1:5, 16; Ruth 4:13-22

## Fellowship 2

### A Godly Family for the Church life

- I. Godliness is a living that expresses the divine reality, an expression of God in all His riches - 1 Tim. 2:2; 3:16; 4:7-8; 6:3, 6; Titus 1:1; 2:12; 2 Pet. 1:3, 6-7; 3:11
- II. Noah's life and work was one that changed the age; Noah came from a godly family and learned from his forefathers all the godly things - Gen. 5:22, 25-29; 6:8
- III. Among us in the Lord's recovery the most important unit is the church; after the church, the most important unit is the family - 1 Tim. 3:15-16; Titus 1:5-9; 2:3-5
- IV. Apart from the book of Proverbs, the Old Testament does not seem to give us much teaching concerning parenting, but there are some good examples - Exo. 12:3-7; Deut. 6:7-9, 20-21; 11:18-21; Psa. 78:5-7; Joel 1:3
- V. The New Testament gives examples of households, which clearly show us that the unit of God's salvation and service is the household.
- VI. From the beginning of the Lord's recovery in China, Brother Nee pointed out that the church needs to build up with the household as a unit.
- VII. The church life is the purpose of the Christian life, and it is a great reality in the universe; hence, our family life should be brought into the church life - Matt. 16:16-19; Philem. 1-2