

PROVIDING AND PROTECTING

The Responsibility Every Husband Carries Whether He Acknowledges It or Not

TOOL 4 — Providing and Protecting Worksheet

PART 1 — KEY CONCEPT COMPREHENSION

This module teaches that provision and protection are covenant responsibilities — not cultural constructs. A husband who provides financially but is emotionally absent has only fulfilled half his calling. Answer based on what you read.

1. The module distinguishes between providing and funding. A man who brings home income but withholds emotional presence, spiritual leadership, and relational investment has funded his family — not provided for it. Which side of that line are you on? Be specific.

2. Protection is not just about external threats. A husband is specifically positioned to address unresolved conflict, spiritual neglect, toxic relationships, and an unsafe home environment. What internal threats are you currently ignoring in your home?

3. The module says the most powerful thing a husband can give his family is the daily demonstration of a man who works with integrity, serves without complaint, and sacrifices without keeping score. Is that what your family sees daily? What would they say?

4. 1 Timothy 5:8 says a man who does not provide has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever. Using the full definition of provision from this module — financial, emotional, spiritual, relational — how would you honestly score yourself?

PART 2 — SELF-ASSESSMENT

Rate yourself 1 (rarely true) to 5 (consistently true). This is not a guilt exercise — it is a growth map.

STATEMENT	1 – 5
I provide financially, emotionally, spiritually, and relationally for my family	<input type="text"/>
My presence in the home creates a sense of safety — not tension or anxiety	<input type="text"/>
I actively guard my home from internal threats — conflict, neglect, toxic influence	<input type="text"/>
I lead by daily example — integrity, service, and sacrifice without scorekeeping	<input type="text"/>
My children experience my presence as formative and safe, not absent or conditional	<input type="text"/>
My wife would say she feels fully provided for and genuinely protected by me	<input type="text"/>

TOTAL SCORE: ____ / 30 **24–30 = Strong foundation. 15–23 = Key areas need attention. Below 15 = Redesign starts today.**

MODULE 04 — HEADSHIP
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PART 3 — CASE STUDY REFLECTION — MARCUS AND DIANE

Marcus had always believed that working long hours was the highest form of provision he could offer. He paid every bill. He missed most dinners. His son once told a teacher that his dad lived at work. That sentence broke something open in Marcus. He began leaving the office by six. He began sitting at the table. Six months later his daughter told Diane — Dad feels different. He feels safe. Marcus had not changed his income. He had changed his presence.

5. Marcus's son said: my dad lives at work. If your children were asked where you live — what would they say? What does that answer reveal about your current definition of provision?

6. The daughter said: Dad feels safe. Safety is something a father produces through presence, not income. What does your family feel when you walk through the door — and what do you want them to feel?

PART 4 — SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

Both scriptures are cited directly in this module. Write one specific thing each requires of you.

1 Timothy 5:8

"But if anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for members of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever."

What this specifically requires of me:

Ephesians 6:4

"Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord."

What this specifically requires of me:

PART 5 — COUPLES ALIGNMENT CHECK

Answer individually, then compare. Mark D (Disagree), P (Partial), A (Agree).

STATEMENT	HUSBAND	WIFE
We share the same understanding of what full provision looks like in our home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My wife feels financially, emotionally, and spiritually provided for by me	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My wife feels genuinely protected — from external and internal threats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am as present in our home as I am committed to my work or outside responsibilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
We have talked about internal threats in our home that need to be addressed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My wife would say our home feels safe — because of my leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Where are your biggest gaps as a couple? What will you discuss this week?

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PART 6 — YOUR 30-DAY ACTION PLAN

Provision and protection are not one-time acts — they are daily postures. Complete this before you move to Module 5. These are commitments, not goals.

ONE area of provision I have neglected — and how I will address it this month:

ONE internal threat in my home I will stop ignoring and begin addressing:

How my presence in my home will look different starting this week:

The honest conversation I need to have with my wife about what she needs from me:

How I will know — in 30 days — that my family feels more provided for and protected:

PROVISION AND PROTECTION DECLARATION

I accept the full weight of my covenant responsibility as provider and protector. I will provide not just financially but emotionally, spiritually, and relationally. I will guard my home from every threat — seen and unseen. My family will feel my presence as safety, not absence. I will fund my family's life and lead it.

Husband Signature

Date