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Reader's Outline

What can I do about my hectic life?

-urgent question for Christian women.

I. To express our love, we must be patient, kind, and gentle. This should be the very essence of our character.

- A. need for good disposition
- B. need for self-control
- C. need for commitment

II. To have a well-ordered style of living requires our ability to consciously plan for serene surroundings.

- A. requires hard work
- B. requires more silence in home
- C. requires time for self with God
- D. requires refusal to over-react
- E. requires calmly accepting & adapting

1. Spend a few minutes in thought, then list the people, responsibilities, or situations that you feel are complicating your life right now.

my husband and child

trying to keep my home neat & clean
learning the new role as pastor's wife
adjusting to living in a new town
my own impatience.

my lack of self-discipline

being too quick to speak

immaturity in my Christian living

2. What should your priorities be?

John 2:3-5

II Corin. 5:15

John 2:11-14

Romans 12:1-2

Sober - calm & collected in spirit

temperate (refers to self-control)

Chaste - pure from illicit sexual intercourse.

3. What changes are necessary in your life to have the proper priorities?

Galatians 5: 22-26

Hebrews 13: 16

James 1: 19-25

II Timothy 2: 15

Philippians 4: 5-7

long suffering - bearing up under
troubles and ill

meekness - humility and gentleness