

Teaching Guide: Commanding Your House

Theme: Stewarding Your Spirit, Soul, Body, and Household with Divine Intent

Introduction: What Does It Mean to "Command Your House"?

Do you know that you are a commander?

A commander is someone who holds authority to lead, direct, or give orders, especially in the context of responsibility, leadership, or battle. The word is often used in military or governmental settings, but it also applies to spiritual, household, or personal leadership roles.

Biblical & Spiritual Meaning

In a biblical sense, a commander is someone entrusted by God to:

- Govern or oversee what has been given to them
- Lead others in alignment with divine principles
- Uphold order, righteousness, and purpose

Definition (General)

Commander(noun)

A person who commands, especially with official or delegated authority.

Key Traits of a Commander

- **Authority** Acts with God-given or rightful authority
- **Responsibility** Accountable for people or tasks under their care
- **Clarity** Knows the mission or vision and communicates it clearly
- **Courage** Makes decisions even under pressure or opposition
- **Order** Establishes structure, peace, and direction

In the Context of "Command Your House"

When God told Abraham to "command his house" (Genesis 18:19), He meant Abraham was to lead with conviction, govern with righteousness, and steward his family and household according to God's covenant.

So when you "command your house," you are:

- A spiritual leader in your home
- A gatekeeper of atmosphere, values, and behaviours
- A builder and keeper of divine order in every area of your life

We often pray for God to move in our lives, but He also calls us to take divine responsibility - to "command" what He's entrusted to us. This includes our spiritual lives, our emotions and thoughts, our physical health, and our households. This also has a generational effect.

Proverbs 20v7 "The righteous man walks in his integrity, His children are blessed after him.

Proverbs 20v27 "The spirit of a man is the lamp of the Lord, searching all the inner depths of the heart".

Psalm 14v5 "For God is with the generations of the righteous".

The times we are living in are precarious. This year, the Lord has been speaking to me about getting my house in order. This started with my physical house, then my work house, and finally my body house.

Psalm 15 - The Character of those who may dwell with the Lord - we are of God's house if we have the character He expects of us.

Hebrew & Greek Word Study

Hebrew - Tsavah (צַּוָה):

To command, to give charge, to appoint with divine purpose

▶ Genesis 18:19 – "For I have known him, that he may command (tsavah) his children and his household after him..."

Greek - Entellomai (έντέλλομαι):

To command, give instruction with authority and intention

▶ Found in New Testament use when Jesus gives commands for life and ministry.

Hebrew Pictograph Meaning of Tsavah (צַוָּה)

Tsade (x) – Fishhook or righteousness: pulling toward something of value

Vav (1) – Hook or connection: securing what is valuable

Hey (7) – Man with raised hands: revelation or breath of God

Prophetic Insight:

"To command your house" means to righteously draw together what God has entrusted to you, secure it in His truth, and reflect His breath and glory in how you steward it.

We have all been apportioned a lot (a piece of land or territory, our life) in this life that is ours to care for. What you do on that lot is dependent on how you choose to command your life. You can build, grow, add on, or you can remain stagnant with nothing.

We need to have a vision for our lot or our life. Often, it is not only we who live on that lot; others are there too. How do we manage others on our lot?

So, we have the physical aspect and the relational aspect. We also need provision to manage everything, and our health is vital. But what comes first? The spiritual aspect comes first because we need guidance and leadership for what God has assigned to us.

Proverbs 19v14 says "Houses and riches are an inheritance from fathers, But a prudent wife is from the Lord."

Proverbs 18:15 says "The heart of the prudent acquires knowledge, And the ear of the wise seeks knowledge."

Our house carries:

- Who we are our whole being.
- The Holy Spirit Godhead.
- Purpose and Calling.
- Gifts Proverbs 18:16 "A man's gift makes room for him, And brings him before great men"
- Seed spiritual and natural.
- Life and light.

Our house affects:

- Our lot the land and what's on it.
- Others in our lives.
- The atmosphere on it and around it.
- The kingdom of God we are either portals to transmit the kingdom, or we are portals of destruction. We transmit what is in our house and our land to next generations.

In the Bible, when it speaks of "the house of David" or "the house of Abraham," it refers to more than a physical dwelling - it represents a legacy, lineage, and spiritual authority.

In Jewish Tradition:

"House" (Hebrew: *beit*) refers to a family line, dynasty, or household influence. It signifies covenant identity, where the name and faith of a patriarch extends through generations.

For example, the House of David refers to David's royal line and the messianic promise.

For Us Today (as Believers):

Your "house" includes your family, spiritual inheritance, influence, and calling. When you "command your house," you're not just stewarding your home - you're guarding a generational legacy of faith, purpose, and identity. Just like Abraham, you are called to lead your house in the ways of the Lord (Genesis 18:19).

So when you speak over your "house," you're speaking over your lineage, your legacy, and your spiritual domain—declaring that it belongs to God.

And on this note - when we speak our words are creating structures in the spirit - good or bad - our life is the product of what is going on in our souls and what we speak - we know this by now.

Proverbs 18v21 - Death and life are in the power of the tongue and those who love it will eat its fruit.

1. Commanding Your Spiritual House

Scriptures:

1 Peter 2:5"You also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

Hebrews 3:6"But Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house we are if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end."

Joshua 24:15– "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Isaiah 56:7 – "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations."

Proverbs 25:28 - "Whoever has no rule over his own spirit Is like a city broken down, without walls."

Insight:

You are both God's house and a steward of your household. Just as you can dedicate a room to prayer, you can dedicate your life to becoming a dwelling place for His glory.

2. Commanding Your Body - Temple of the Holy Spirit

Scriptures:

1 Corinthians 6:19–20 "Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's."

Romans 12:1"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service."

Proverbs 31:17 "She girds herself with strength, And strengthens her arms."

Insight:

Taking care of your body is part of worship. Rest, nourishment, movement, and health boundaries are not selfish - they are spiritual discipline.

3. Commanding Your Soul - Mind, Will, Emotions

Scriptures:

Psalm 42:5 "Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall yet praise Him For the help of His countenance."

3 John 1:2 "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers."

Psalm 103:1–2 "Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits:"

Insight:

You can speak to your soul. David commanded his emotions, will, and thoughts to align with truth. Don't wait for your soul to feel it - lead it with truth.

4. Commanding Your Natural House - Family, Home, Work

Scriptures:

Proverbs 24:3–4 - "Through wisdom a house is built, And by understanding it is established; By knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches."

Titus 2:3–5 - "The older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things— that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed."

1 Timothy 3:4–5 - "One who rules his own house well, having his children in submission with all reverence (for if a man does not know how to rule his own house, how will he take care of the church of God?)"

Practical Application:

To command your natural house is to:

- Set spiritual rhythms (devotion, peace, worship)
- Keep order (cleanliness, schedule, boundaries)
- Create an atmosphere of love and prayer
- Intentionally lead in parenting, marriage, and hosting others

5. Declarations to Command Your House

Spirit:

"I am a house of prayer. The Spirit of God dwells in me."

Body:

"My body is a temple. I walk in health, strength, and stewardship."

Soul:

"My thoughts are renewed. My emotions are rooted in peace. My will aligns with God's will."

Household:

"My home is built by wisdom and established in peace. Every room is filled with the presence of God."

Authority:

"I have divine authority to command my house in alignment with heaven."

Prayer Focus

- 1. Repentance for neglecting any area (spiritually or practically)
- 2. Rededication of body, soul, and home to God
- 3. Prophetic intercession over family members
- 4. Speaking breakthrough over disordered areas (conflict, disconnection, fatigue, clutter, etc.)

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