

## A Marriage Minute™

A simple help to make your marriage just a little better this week.



### ARIZONA TRAGEDY AND MARRIAGE

*“Has not made them one? In flesh and spirit they are his. And why one? Because he was seeking godly offspring.” –Micah 2:15*

This week our nation suffered a terrible tragedy in Arizona in the shooting of an American Congresswoman, along with innocent bystanders, including a 9 year old girl. What has this got to do with marriage? Lots. You see, as we learned more about the shooter we found that he was a godless, mentally ill young man. We don't know much about his upbringing, but we do know that it was not one that produced a loving, god-fearing citizen, but rather a young man filled with a hateful and delusional superiority complex. One of the primary purposes for marriage is to produce “godly offspring.” Obviously, there was a failure in this case, as there are in too many, even “Christian” homes. This is precisely why we must reaffirm our commitment to the institution of marriage and give ourselves fully to one of the primary purposes for which marriage was given -to produce godly offspring.

Our children must see our love for God demonstrated first in the way we love each other as husband and wife. The way we treat each other will either validate or invalidate the “Christian” message we try to teach.

Fathers must lead the way to train our children in the way they should go, and it must all be done out of hearts of love and compassion. I know that's a tall order, but with God's help we can do it, or we will see too many tragedies in the days ahead. We must renew our commitment to one of our primary duties as parents: to produce godly offspring.

**Question For the Both of Us:** How are our children doing in their spiritual walk?

**Prayer For the Both of Us:** Lord, grant us the wisdom, power and love to work together as a team to produce godly offspring.

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