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"Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification." (Romans 14:19)

ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP
Making money decisions together • making sure both partners benefit from financial arrangements.
"Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ." (Ephesians 5:21)

RESPECT
Listening nonjudgmentally • being emotionally affirming and understanding • valuing her opinions.
"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her..." (Ephesians 5:25)

LOVE IS KIND Cor. 13:4

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Supporting her goals in life • respecting her right to her own feelings, friends, activities and opinions.
"Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value." (Proverbs 31:11)

RESPONSIBLE PARENTING
Sharing parental responsibilities • being a positive nonviolent role model for the children.
"Fathers, do not exasperate [discourage or anger] your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." (Ephesians 6:4)

HONESTY AND ACCOUNTABILITY
Accepting responsibility for self • acknowledging past use of violence • admitting being wrong • communicating openly and truthfully • making restitution.
"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed." (James 5:16)

NON-THREATENING BEHAVIOR
Talking and acting so that she feels safe and comfortable expressing herself and doing things.
"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control." (Galatians 5:22-23)

SHARED RESPONSIBILITY
Mutually agreeing on a fair distribution of work • making family decisions together.
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