KEEPING YOUR HOME HOME IN ORDER

Wherever we live: home, flat, rental or as an owner, we have a responsibility to care for our property, to keep it in order.

Not only for upkeep of that property but also for our responsibility as owner, buyer or tenant.

For the Christian, maintenance and care is a lesson in stewardship.

There is a spiritual lesson in regard to maintenance and care. It measures our ability to prepare for our home in the next life.Proverbs reminds us that "by wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established." The Psalms remind us that the master builder is the Lord. And all construction to be successful has his guidance and patience.

Jesus teaches that excellence in little things fits us for greater responsibility. Paul reminds us of our responsibility to care for family and relatives.

And in Colossians he reminds us of our responsibility to live and work in love. To be bound together in harmony.

Reflection:

The promises of Jesus ring true for every situation in life: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, so that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?"

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:1-7