

# Must Haves for Your House

## Solid Foundation



*Picture of the Leaning Tower of Pisa*

Matthew 7:24-25 NLT

“Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won’t collapse because it is built on bedrock.”

## Lots of Natural Light



*Picture of Bright Sunlight*

Matthew 5:14 NLT

**“You are the light** of the world.”

Romans 12:9 NLT

Don’t just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good.

Philippians 2:15 NLT

....so that no one can criticize you. Live clean, innocent lives as children of God, **shining like bright lights** in a world full of crooked and perverse people.

Lack of Clutter

“Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication.” Leonard DaVinci

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Matthew 11:28-30 MSG

“Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you’ll recover your life. I’ll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won’t lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly.”

### **Play Room**

John 15:11 NLT

I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow!

### **Laundry Room**

**Room** in your life for **messy** people.

Galatians 6:1-3 NLT

Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself. Share each other’s burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ. If you think you are too important to help someone, you are only fooling yourself. You are not that important.

### Open **Concept**

Romans 12:13 NLT

When God’s people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality.

“They do not keep for themselves the goods entrusted to them. They do not covet what belongs to others. They show love to their neighbors. They do not do to another what they would not have done to themselves. They speak gently to those who oppress them and in this way they make them their friends. It has become their passion to do good to their enemies. They live in the awareness of their smallness. Every one of them who has anything gives ungrudgingly to the one who

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has nothing. If they see a traveling stranger, they bring him under their roof. They rejoice over him as over a real brother, for they do not call one another brothers after the flesh, but they know they are brothers in God. If they hear that one of them is imprisoned or oppressed for the sake of Christ, they take care of all his needs. If anyone among them is poor or comes into want while they themselves have nothing to spare, they fast two or three days for him. In this way they can supply any poor man with the food he needs.”

This O Emperor is the rule of life of the Christians, and this is their manner of life.  
Aristides 137 AD

“The problem with the world is that we draw our family circles too small.”  
Mother Theresa

Psalm 68:6 NLT

God places the lonely in families; he sets the prisoners free and gives them joy.