

Family Life's: Sociological Change and Family

1800s - 1900s	Area of Change	2000s
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home and Family were highly valued</li> <li>• Religion was an esteemed part of culture</li> <li>• Local/National influence</li> </ul>	<b>Society</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home and Family are devalued</li> <li>• Religion should be kept separate from culture</li> <li>• Global Influence</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Judeo-Christian ethic</li> <li>• Emergence of national media (television, radio, Internet) as the primary influence of world view</li> </ul>	<b>World View</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ethics are seen as relative and subjective (postmodernism)</li> <li>• Dominance of national media in shaping world view</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commitment is valued</li> <li>• Marriage is seen as an interdependent relationship</li> <li>• Marriage roles were commonly accepted</li> </ul>	<b>Marriage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increases in divorce</li> <li>• Independence is valued over interdependence in marriage</li> <li>• Marriage roles are confused and challenged</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Present and active</li> </ul>	<b>Fathers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passive and/or absent</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Valued and esteemed</li> </ul>	<b>Mothers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Devalued and disparaged</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blessing</li> </ul>	<b>Children</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Burden</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family life was imperfect but intact</li> </ul>	<b>Result</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family life is fragmented and facing difficult challenges.</li> </ul>
<b><i>Your family will be influenced by rapid changes in culture.</i></b>		