

LESSON 16
SUBMITTING TO ONE ANOTHER: THE MARRIAGE
EPHESIANS 5:22-33

Key to the Passage: Ephesians 5:18, 21

- The Spirit-filled life is the key to _____.
- Your spiritual life and your relationship with your spouse are _____.

I. Instructions for Wives (5:22-24, 33b)

A. Submit to their husbands (5:22)

1. The command

a. What submission is not

- It is not suggesting that women are _____.
- It is not that all women must be in subjection to _____.
- Submission is not _____.

b. What submission is

- A voluntary response to God's will to give up _____.
- Both the husband and wife are _____.

c. The command stated

- Wives are to place themselves under the _____.

2. The manner of submission

- The model for this submission is _____.

B. The basis for the command (5:23-24)

1. The divine order (5:23)

- God has set a _____.

2. The example (5:24a)

- The submission of the Church to Christ is _____.

3. The area of submission (5:24b)

- Wives are to submit to their husband's leadership in _____.

C. The command restated (5:33b)

- The issue of submission has _____.

II. Instructions for Husbands (5:25-33)

A. Love your wives (5:25-31)

1. The command (5:25a)

- Husbands are to _____.

2. The manner of love (5:25b)

- Our example of how we are to _____.

3. The description of love (5:25c-31)

a. Sacrificial (5:25c)

- The husband is to put the _____ before his own.

b. Purifying (5:26-27)

- The husband helps his wife become all that _____.

c. Caring (5:28-29)

- The husband cares for his wife as he would care for _____.

d. Unifying (5:30-31)

- The husband recognizes that they are _____.

B. The motive for submission (5:32-33)

1. Marriage is a picture (5:32)

- Marriage is a picture of _____.

2. The commands restated (5:33)

- We are called to _____.