

A Husband's Headship

July 13, 2014 Sunday AM-PM

Ephesians 5:22-33

22 **Wives, submit** (*hupotasso* - under God's arrangement, to place or rank under, arrange under, subordinate, obey) **to your own** (*unique*) **husbands, as to the Lord.**

23 For **the husband is the head** (*supreme, prominent, chief, lord, master*) **of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church**, his body, and **is himself its Savior.**

24 Now **as the church submits** (*hupotasso* - under God's arrangement, to place or rank under, arrange under, subordinate, obey) **to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.**

25 **Husbands, love** (*agapāō* – to prefer, to love, a "discriminating affection which involves choice and selection") **your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her,**

26 **that he might sanctify** (*to make holy, to make as dedicated to God, more distinct, devoted*) **her, having cleansed** (*to clean, purify, heal, purge of evil*) **her by the washing of water with the word,**

27 so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

28 In the same way **husbands should love their wives as their own bodies.** He who loves his wife loves himself.

29 For **no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes** (*bring up, provide with nourishment, provide for*) **and cherishes** (*to soften by heat, warm up, to brood as birds warm their young by covering with their feathers, to treat with tenderness and affection*) **it**, just as Christ does the church,

30 because we are members of his body.

31 **"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."**

32 This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.

33 However, **let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.**

COMPONENTS OF OVERSIGHT

- **EXAMPLE** (*Trust, Respect and Obedience is earned, not legislative nor forced.*)

- John 13:14-15

14 *If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.*

15 *For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.*

- 1 Peter 5:2-3

2 *shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly;*

3 *not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock.*

- **SELFLESSNESS** (*The husband's headship is NEVER for selfish ambition or self-gratification but for the edification and what is best for the wife and children.*)

○ Ephesians 5:25

"Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her."

○ Matthew 20:25–28

25 But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.

26 It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,

27 and whoever would be first among you must be your slave,

28 even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

● **GOODNESS (Protect - Provide - Nourish)**

○ Ephesians 5:28-29

28 In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church.

○ Colossians 3:18–19

18 Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

19 Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them.

○ Ephesians 5:26

"that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word"

○ John 17:12

"While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled."

● **COMMUNICATION (Do you know whom you are leading?)**

○ 1 Peter 3:7

*"Likewise, husbands, **live with your wives in an understanding way** (according to gnosis - the sum of what has been discovered, the act and experience of knowing), **showing honor** (highly respected, revered, valued, precious value) **to the woman as the weaker vessel**, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered."*