



Lesson 3 What's a Husband? What's a Wife?

Introduction:

1 Peter 1:18-19

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed . . . but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

I am worth . . .

My spouse is also . . .

Now I want to say . . .

My Role as Husband

1 Peter 2:21,23-24; 3:7-9

To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. . . ²³ When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. . . ^{3:7} Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers. ⁸ Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble. ⁹ Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult, but with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing.

Ephesians 5:21-33

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. . . ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. . . ²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶ to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, ²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. ²⁸ In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church—³⁰ for we are members of his body. ³¹“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”³² This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. ³³ However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

In my role, God wants me to:

- 1)

- 2)

- 3)

The reasons for me to do so are:

- 1)

- 2)

- 3)

My Role as Wife

1 Peter 2:21,23-24, 3:1-6

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Ephesians 5:21-24, 31-33

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What's the difference between the world's view of submission the Word's view of submission?

- The world's view:

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Assignment:

Watch these five marriage moments, all dealing with the role of husband/wife. (#73-77) Come to the next session with 2-3 thoughts which you found helpful/challenging/interesting, or about which you had questions.

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