Everyday Faith: Family





"So they are no longer two, but one flesh.

Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate... I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery."

- Matthew 19:6, 9



"Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'?"

- Matthew 19:4-5



Marriage should be honoured by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.

- Hebrews 13:4





Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord, because the husband is the head of the wife as also Christ is the head of the church (he himself being the saviour of the body).



But as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.



Husbands, love your wives just as Christ loved the church and gave himself for her to sanctify her by cleansing her with the washing of the water by the word,



...so that he may present the church to himself as glorious—not having a stain or wrinkle, or any such blemish, but holy and blameless.



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



For no one has ever hated his own body, but he feeds it and takes care of it, just as Christ also does the church, because we are members of his body.



For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and will be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.



This mystery is great—but I am actually speaking with reference to Christ and the church.



Nevertheless, each one of you must also love his own wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.





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"Husbands assigned leadership role to mimic Jesus' role as leader of the church."

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"Paul accepted cultural norms (like slavery) that are no longer required today."



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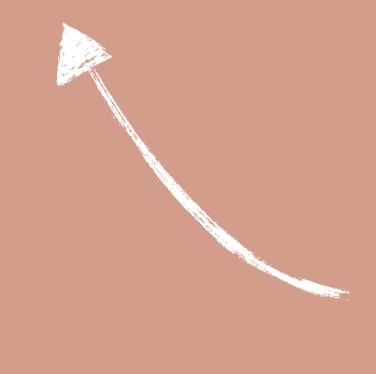
"Husband is the spiritual head of the family"

"No distinction in <u>value</u>, but still distinction in <u>roles</u>."



"There is no role difference between genders in the family"

"No distinction between genders means no authority hierarchy."



"There is neither...
male nor female"

Galatians 3









- Ephesians 5:18-25



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Live by the Spirit



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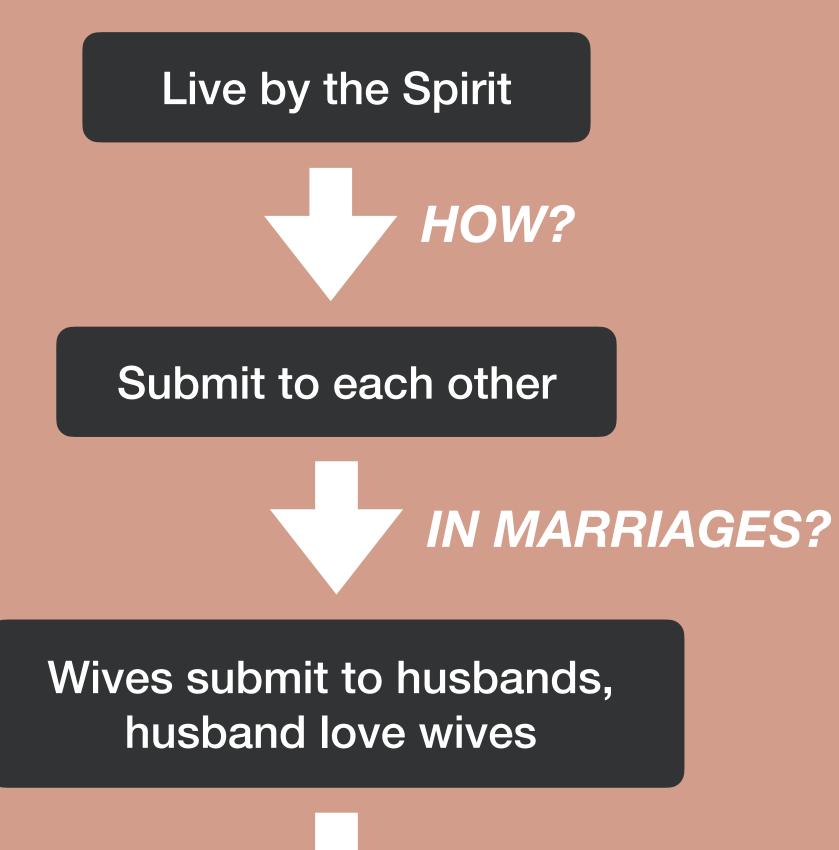


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A picture of Jesus and the church

1. "Submit to each other" applies to both husbands and wives





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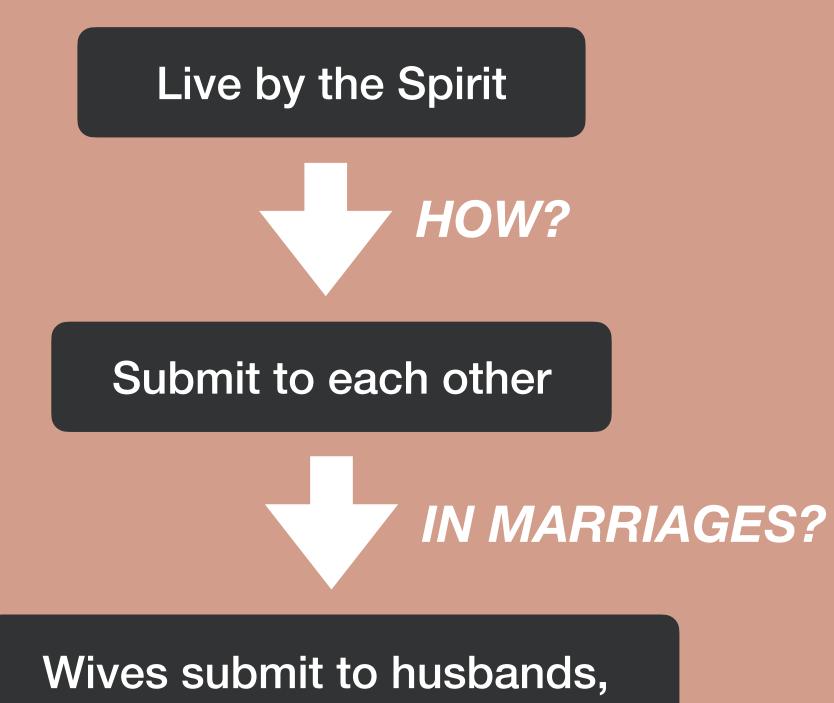


Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.

- John 13:14



2. Ultimately, this isn't about us...it's about Jesus



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A picture of Jesus and the church





Nevertheless, each one of you must also love his own wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.





Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honouring each other.

- Romans 12:10



