

The Believer's Family (Pt. 5) The Lead Role in Marriage

Ephesians 5:21-33 (NIV)

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²² Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord.

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.

²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

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.

1. The head is the _____ that _____ the relationship and _____ it together.

Ephesians 5:21-24 (NIV)

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Ephesians 4:15-16 (NIV)

¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.

¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

- a. Jesus left heaven
- b. Jesus came to earth
- c. Jesus lived a perfect life
- d. Jesus died on the cross
- e. Jesus rose again

2a. Love: The husband leads by taking the _____.

2b. Respect: The wife submits by _____ him for doing it.

3a. Love: The husband leads by _____.

3b. Respect: The wife submits by _____ him for it.

4a. Love: The husband leads by keeping sin out of his _____ and the _____.

4b. Respect: The wife submits by _____ him in those efforts.

5a. Love: The husband leads by observing the _____ of a healthy relationship and then _____ the price.

5b. Respect: The wife submits by _____ him for it.

6a. Love: The husband leads by setting the _____ in the house.

6b. Respect: The wife submits by _____ with Him.