

## Answers:

Holy Spirit, Authority System, Love, Respect, Central

### November Announcements

- Sun., 25<sup>th</sup>** Small Group - Bible Study at 8:30 am, 8:45 am, 9:00 am  
Church Service at 10:00 am in the Worship Center  
Deck The Halls (decorating Party) at 4:00 pm
- Wed., 28<sup>th</sup>** A Time to Pray 6:30 pm —7:00 pm in the Faith room  
Youth Night at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall  
Kids Ministry at 6:30 pm upstairs in the children's area  
Daniel Bible Study at 7:00 pm— 8:00 pm in the Faith room

### December Announcements

- Sat., 1<sup>st</sup>** All About That Baby Musical Rehearsal from 9 am – 12 pm
- Sun., 2<sup>nd</sup>** Small Group - Bible Study at 8:30 am, 8:45 am, 9:00 am  
Church Service at 10:00 am in the Worship Center  
Pastor Fred's Family 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at DLBC  
Luncheon following the Service in the Fellowship Hall
- Mon., 3<sup>rd</sup>** Student Ministry Spirit Night at Sonny's all day Monday
- Wed., 5<sup>th</sup>** A Time to Pray 6:30 pm —7:00 pm in the Faith room  
Youth Night at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall  
Kids Ministry at 6:30 pm upstairs in the children's area  
Daniel Bible Study at 7:00 pm— 8:00 pm in the Faith room
- Sat., 8<sup>th</sup>** All About That Baby Musical Rehearsal from 9 am – 12 pm
- Sun., 9<sup>th</sup>** Small Group - Bible Study at 8:30 am, 8:45 am, 9:00 am  
All About That Baby Musical at 10:00 am – Worship Center  
Mission's Meeting at 11:30 am in room 103 C&D  
Young Adult Gathering at 5:00 pm in the Worship Center



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# What Is a Christian Marriage?

## Ephesians Series Part 15 Ephesians 5:18-33

*the Scriptures say, "A man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one." Ephesians 5:31*

### A CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE IS ONE IN WHICH.....

#### 1. THE \_\_\_\_\_ IS IN CHARGE!

*Instead, **let the Holy Spirit fill and control you.** Then you **will sing** psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, making music to the Lord in your hearts. And you will always **give thanks** for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.... you **will submit** to one another out of reverence for Christ. Eph 5:18-20*

*When the Holy Spirit is in control of our individual lives He produces  
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***But when the Holy Spirit controls our lives,** He will produce this kind of fruit in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,<sup>23</sup> gentleness, and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23*

#### 2. BOTH MEMBERS UNDERSTAND GOD'S

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*You wives **will submit** to your husbands as you do to the Lord.<sup>23</sup> For a husband is the head of his wife as **Christ is the head of His body,** the church; He gave His life to be her Savior.<sup>24</sup> As the church submits to Christ, so you wives must submit to your husbands in everything. Ephesians 5:22-24*

*Then He said to the woman, ".....And though your desire will be for your husband [or your desire will be to rule over your husband], He will be your master." Genesis 3:16*

Paul's admonition here has more to do with the **OPERATION** of Authority than the **ORDER** of Authority see Luke 22:24-30

### Wives submit because of the LORDSHIP of Christ and the HEADSHIP of the Husband!

#### 3. HUSBANDS UNDERSTAND WHAT BIBLICAL \_\_\_\_\_ IS!

*And you husbands must love your wives with **the same love** Christ showed the church.*

**Sacrificial Love**— He **gave up His life** for her. Ephesians 5:25

**Sanctifying Love**— **...to make her holy and clean,** washed by baptism and God's word. Ephesians 5:26

**Satisfying Love**—*In the same way, husbands ought to love their wives as they love their own bodies. For a **man is actually loving himself** when he loves his wife. No one hates his own body but **lovingly cares for it,** just as Christ cares for His body, which is the church. Ephesians 5:28-29*

#### 4. Wives \_\_\_\_\_ Their Husbands!

*...and the wife must **respect** her husband (respect = "phobos" fear) Respect = Reverence*

*as in #2 it is relationship that is primary here not rules as you do to the Lord*

**Husbands if you love your wife with a Christ-like love you will not have to worry about respect!**

#### 5. GOD'S WORD IS \_\_\_\_\_!

*<sup>31</sup> As the Scriptures say, "A man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, **and the two are united into one.***

*Ephesians 5:31*

***Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly** as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.*

*Colossians 3:16*