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Spirit-Filled Marriage Ephesians 5:21-33

Ephesians 5:15-20 (NLT)

¹⁵ So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. ¹⁶ Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. ¹⁷ Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do. ¹⁸ Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, <u>be filled with the Holy Spirit</u>, ¹⁹ singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts. ²⁰ And give thanks for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

WHEN THE SPOUSES ARE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT, MARRIAGES WILL BE FILLED WITH LIFE

ACKNOWLEDGE

ASK ACT

Ephesians 5:21 (NLT)

And further, submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

WHEN JESUS IS THE AUTHORITY, EVERYONE CAN REST EASY IN THEIR ROLES

I'M YOURS BECAUSE WE'RE HIS

Ephesians 5:22-24 (NLT)

²² For wives, this means submit to your husbands as to the Lord. ²³ For a husband is the head of his wife as Christ is the head of the church. He is the Savior of his body, the

church. ²⁴ As the church submits to Christ, so you wives should submit to your husbands in everything.

Genesis 2:20-23 (ESV)

²⁰ The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹ So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²² And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³ Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

Ephesians 5:33 (NLT)

³³ So again I say, each man must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

WIVES HELP THEIR HUSBANDS WHEN THEY RESPECT THEM

 further instructions because I believe we bear more responsibility.

Ephesians 5:25-30 (NLT)

²⁵ For husbands, this means love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her ²⁶ to make her holy and clean, washed by the cleansing of God's word.

²⁷ He did this to present her to himself as a glorious church without a spot or wrinkle or any other blemish. Instead, she will be holy and without fault. ²⁸ In the same way, husbands ought to love their wives as they love their own bodies. For a man who loves his wife actually shows love for himself. ²⁹ No one hates his own body but feeds and cares for it, just as Christ cares for the church. ³⁰ And we are members of his body.

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"Headship is the divine calling of a husband to take primary responsibility for Christ-like, servant leadership, protection, and provision in the home." John Piper

HUSBANDS REALLY LEAD THEIR WIVES WHEN THEY LOVE THEM

What's one way I can lead that when I do my wife "feels loved"?

Ephesians 5:31-32 (NLT)

³¹ As the Scriptures say, "A man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one." ³² This is a great mystery, but it is an illustration of the way Christ and the church are one.

"Most foundationally, marriage is the doing of God. And ultimately, marriage is the display of God."

John Piper

OUR MARRIAGES SHOULD DISPLAY CHRIST'S RELATIONSHIP TO THE CHURCH