



1 PETER 3:1-4

'Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives, when they see your respectful and pure conduct. Do not let your adorning be external – the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear – but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious.'

1 PETER 3:7

'Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you to the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.'

Life Together is Better Than life Alone

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Together

1. What is your favorite moment during a wedding ceremony, or weddings, in general? Share why.
2. Read 1 Peter 3:1-4.
 - a. Why do you think Peter directs our eyes to Jesus and what He did before talking to wives and husbands?
 - b. How does what Peter say in 2:22-25 shape what he says to wives and how they live within marriage?
3. As a group, discuss the idea of submission or living under another person's authority. Use Matthew 26:39, Mark 10:42-45, 1 Peter 2:13, and Ephesians 5:21 to guide your discussion.
4. Read 1 Peter 3:7.
 - a. Discuss the link between the example of Jesus and what Peter asks husbands to do in marriage.
 - b. What similarities and differences do you see in how the husband is to operate within marriage, as compared to his wife?
5. How is what happened at Pentecost good news for individuals and for those in marriages [see Acts 2:1-4]?
6. What is one area of your life where it feels impossible for change to happen? Share that with the group and pray for one another in light of that.

Leader's Guide

[Additional notes on the message]

1. TO BE SUBJECT

- a. To willingly submit or yield yourself to another
- b. To position yourself underneath someone in a posture of love and service

2. THE MESSAGE TO LIVE BY

- a. Jesus was someone with all glory and power and honor, but He gives that UP to become human and then gives Himself OVER to suffering and death for us.
- b. Jesus chose to give Himself over to suffering and death for a purpose. And that purpose was US. So that our relationship with God could be healed and we could have the power to go and live a new kind of life.

3. THE MINDSET TO AIM FOR

- a. Husbands and wives are in this together
- b. It takes two people working together, each playing their own part with God's help so that together, they can experience all that God intends for them to have