FAMILY MATTERS

How To Make Your Marriage Work

"And They Lived Happily Ever After"



GENESIS 1:26-28 THEN GOD SAID, "LET US MAKE MAN IN OUR IMAGE, ACCORDING TO OUR LIKENESS; AND LET THEM RULE OVER THE FISH OF THE SEA AND OVER THE BIRDS OF THE SKY AND OVER THE CATTLE AND OVER ALL THE EARTH, AND OVER EVERY CREEPING THING THAT CREEPS ON THE EARTH." GOD CREATED MAN IN HIS OWN IMAGE, IN THE IMAGE OF GOD HE CREATED HIM; MALE AND FEMALE HE CREATED THEM. GOD BLESSED THEM; AND GOD SAID TO THEM, "BE FRUITFUL AND MULTIPLY, AND FILL THE EARTH, AND SUBDUE IT; AND RULE OVER THE FISH OF THE SEA AND OVER THE BIRDS OF THE SKY AND OVER EVERY LIVING THING THAT MOVES ON THE EARTH."

GENESIS 2:7 THEN THE LORD GOD FORMED MAN OF DUST FROM THE GROUND, AND BREATHED INTO HIS NOSTRILS THE BREATH OF LIFE; AND MAN BECAME A LIVING BEING.

GENESIS 2:15-17 THEN THE LORD GOD TOOK THE MAN AND PUT HIM INTO THE GARDEN OF EDEN TO CULTIVATE IT AND KEEP IT. THE LORD GOD COMMANDED THE MAN, SAYING, "FROM ANY TREE OF THE GARDEN YOU MAY EAT FREELY; BUT FROM THE TREE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL YOU SHALL NOT EAT, FOR IN THE DAY THAT YOU EAT FROM IT YOU WILL SURELY DIE."

GENESIS 2:22-23 THE LORD GOD FASHIONED INTO A WOMAN THE RIB WHICH HE HAD TAKEN FROM THE MAN, AND BROUGHT HER TO THE MAN. THE MAN SAID,

"This is now bone of my bones, And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man."

THE WIFE SHOULD SUBMIT TO HER HUSBAND'S AUTHORITY.

WHY SHOULD I SUBMIT TO MY HUSBAND? <u>EPHESIANS 5:21-22</u> ... BE SUBJECT TO ONE ANOTHER IN THE FEAR OF CHRIST. WIVES, BE SUBJECT TO YOUR OWN HUSBANDS, AS TO THE LORD.

HOW CAN I SUBMIT TO MY HUSBAND? <u>EPHESIANS 5:24</u> AS THE CHURCH IS SUBJECT TO CHRIST, SO ALSO THE WIVES OUGHT TO BE TO THEIR HUSBANDS IN EVERYTHING

HOW CAN I SUBMIT TO HER NEEDS AND TAKE GOOD CARE OF HER?

1) LOVE YOUR WIFE AS CHRIST LOVES THE CHURCH EPHESIANS 5:25 HUSBANDS, LOVE YOUR WIVES, JUST AS CHRIST ALSO LOVED THE CHURCH AND GAVE HIMSELF UP FOR HER.

- HOW DOES JESUS LOVE THE CHURCH? HE LOVES HER WITH . . .
- **A SACRIFICIAL LOVE**

JOHN 15:13-14 GREATER LOVE HAS NO ONE THAN THIS,

THAT ONE LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS. YOU ARE

MY FRIENDS IF YOU DO WHAT I COMMAND YOU.

HOW DOES JESUS LOVE THE CHURCH? HE LOVES HER WITH . . .

A SANCTIFYING LOVE

EPHESIANS 5:26-27 SO THAT HE MIGHT SANCTIFY HER, HAVING CLEANSED HER BY THE WASHING OF WATER WITH THE WORD, THAT HE MIGHT PRESENT TO HIMSELF THE CHURCH IN ALL HER GLORY, HAVING NO SPOT OR WRINKLE OR ANY SUCH THING; BUT THAT SHE WOULD BE HOLY AND BLAMELESS.

HOW CAN I SUBMIT TO HER NEEDS AND TAKE GOOD CARE OF HER?

1) LOVE YOUR WIFE AS CHRIST LOVES THE CHURCH

2) LOVE YOUR WIFE AS YOU LOVE YOURSELF

EPHESIANS 5:28-29 SO HUSBANDS OUGHT ALSO TO LOVE

THEIR OWN WIVES AS THEIR OWN BODIES. HE WHO LOVES

HIS OWN WIFE LOVES HIMSELF; FOR NO ONE EVER HATED

HIS OWN FLESH, BUT NOURISHES AND CHERISHES IT, JUST

AS CHRIST ALSO DOES THE CHURCH,...

EPHESIANS 5:33 NEVERTHELESS, EACH INDIVIDUAL AMONG YOU ALSO IS TO LOVE HIS OWN WIFE EVEN AS HIMSELF, AND THE WIFE MUST SEE TO IT THAT SHE RESPECTS HER HUSBAND.