

Acts 2:12 And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another,

"What Does This Mean?"

Response Questions for, "Husbands and Wives – Working Toward the Common Good," Ephesians 5:22-24, 33.



Basic Ideas from, "Husbands and Wives – Working Toward the Common Good," Eph. 5:22-24, 33.

The Holy Spirit is calling to us from this passage to consider three ideas.

1. The Holy Spirit desires for us to know how a husband's headship and a wife's submission are a shadow of Christ and His Church.
2. The Holy Spirit desires for us to choose to embrace God's picture as a reflection of His work in and through you to one another.
3. The Holy Spirit desires for us to feel the joy of resting in His picture for the marriage covenant.

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1. How does a body work? Is there functional hierarchy within the body? What happens if the body is in rebellion against itself? What do you end up with?
2. How does an army work? Is their functional hierarchy within an army? What happens if the army is in rebellion against itself? What do you end up with?
3. What characterizes a husband's headship?
4. What characterizes a wife's submission?
5. What are your thoughts on, "No wife is submitting to Christ who is not also submitting to her husband. And no wife is submitting to her husband who does not first submit to their Lord." Is this equally true of the husband?
6. How is the idea of submission viewed by the unbelieving?
7. How is the idea of submission viewed by the believing?
8. Is the idea positive or negative?
9. Who is responsible for creating this view of submission?
10. This is simply "food for thought:" If "in everything" is defined by the marriage covenant, what are those "things" unique to the covenant that are not shared by those outside the covenant?
11. How might there be functional respect/submission to your own husband in the home and in the church?

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The **Basic Application** from, "Husbands and Wives - Working Toward the Common Good," Eph. 5:22-24, 33.

1. Let us both, as husbands and wives, look to making headship and submission things of beauty.
2. My prayer is that we, as married couples, would personify the substance through the shadow.
3. Wives are you lovingly submitting to your husbands as to the Lord?
4. What if you are not married, then to whom do you render this respect? I do not believe single ladies are without any functional headship. First and foremost you submit to the Lord. Second, in the context of your home, even if living on your own, submission is to your earthly father. In the context of the church you render respect to the oversight of Elders.

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