
God Explains Marriage – Ephesians 5:22-33 (Part 1)

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²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, ²⁶ that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, ²⁷ that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. ²⁸ So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord *does* the church. ³⁰ For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. ³¹ "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³² This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

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6 Preliminary Observations

- 1. My Marriage Role Is Based Upon My _____**
 - Roles are not _____ by us
 - Roles are not _____
- 2. My Marriage Role Is _____**
 - My responsibility is not an _____
 - My responsibility is not a _____
- 3. My Marriage Role Is Without _____**
 - " _____ " is missing (not until he/she does this)
 - " _____ " is missing (up until he/she does this)
- 4. My Marriage Role Focuses on _____ Toward My Spouse**
 - I am to be focused on what _____ to be doing
- 5. My Marriage Role Assumes an _____ Spouse**
 - Wife, your husband needs you to submit _____
 - Husband, your wife needs unconditional love _____
- 6. My Marriage Role Is Built Upon a _____ Relationship**
 - My role is _____ upon Christ & the Church
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