

APPLICATION

Single men – (1) Don't wait to practice this type of self-sacrifice until you are married. (2) Look for a wife who willingly follows godly authority.

Single women—(1) Find a self-sacrificial husband. (2) Submission often will involve a re-orienting of your goals in life.

Wives—(1) Look to the Lord (and others) for strength and hope. (2) Make it a joy, not a burden, for your husband to lead you.

Husbands— (1) You live a life of Inescapable leadership. (2) In being the head of the home, the husband is ultimately responsible for all problems.

Biblical Theology of Marriage Part 3 *Redemption*

Introduction

Remember our two big goals for marriage: (1) the horizontal goal and (2) the vertical goal.

Let's look at 8 ideas that come right out of Ephesians 5:21-33.

1. *This passage is founded upon the expectation that all Christians should live in humility (v. 21)*

2. *Paul calls wives to submit to their own husbands as to the Lord (vs. 22-24).*

3. Wives are to submit, Paul says, because the husband is the head of the wife, just as Christ is the head of the church (vs. 22-24).

6. Husbands are to love their wives as they love themselves (vs. 28-31).

4. Husbands are to love their wives just as Christ loved the church (vs. 25-27).

7. Both husband and wife should remember that their marriage speaks to the world about Christ's relationship with his church (v. 32).

5. Husbands are to give of themselves for their wives' benefit (vs. 26-27).

8. Paul calls wives to respect their husbands (v. 33).