

Ephesians 5:21-33 - Submit to One Another

The Spirit-filled marriage:

1) The gospel is God's visual aid for marriage

- Wives, submit to your husbands

(v22-24)

- Husbands, lay down your lives for your wives

(v25-30)

2) Marriage is God's visual aid for the gospel

(v31-33)

For further discussion

- What difficulties might people have with this passage at first glance and why?
- How does the context of 5:21-33 help us understand this passage?
- How is a wife to be like the church?
- How is a husband to be like Christ?
- What about when there's disagreement between husband and wife? What about when someone is married to a non-Christian? What about if someone just feels the other person isn't doing what they're supposed to do?
- How does marriage help us understand the gospel better?
- How might we need to change as a result of these words?