



Living Beyond Yourself

A Study Through Ephesians

Part 26 – Wives Empowered for Respect

A Controversial Subject

_____ = to defer to another person

Wives, _____ to your husbands as to the Lord.

Husbands, _____ your wives, just as Christ loved the church...

“Would you rather feel alone and unloved in the world or would you rather feel inadequate and disrespected by everyone?”

_____ Plan or _____ Plan?

21 Submit to one another out of *reverence for Christ*.

There is something in ____ that does not want to submit to others

There is something in _____ that makes me not want to submit to them.

Galatians 5:19-21 - 19 The acts of the sinful nature are obvious... hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions 21 and envy...

Ephesians 5:22-24

22 Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. 24 Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

Why Is This Passage So Hard To Obey?

- Fear of _____
Submit to the _____, not to the _____
Example - _____ (1 Samuel 25)
1 Samuel 25:33 – “May you be blessed for your good _____.”
- _____ of talents, etc. (Proverbs 31)
_____ *is not* _____
- There is something in you which makes me not want to submit
 - The _____ Man
 - The _____ Man
 - The _____ Man
 - The _____

The Power of Respect

What if...

“Despite their ‘in control’ posture, men often feel that their inadequacies will be exposed.”

What can I do to _____?

“If a man’s wife believes in him, he feels he can conquer the world - or at least his little corner of it.”