

Ephesians: Blessed Beyond Belief

To Build up the Body

Ephesians 5:22-33 Walk in wisdom (part 2) in Marriage Context

- 22 Wives, submit to your own husbands,
as to the Lord.
- 23 For the husband is the head of the wife,
even as Christ is the head of the church,
his body,
and is himself its Savior.
- 24 Now as the church submits to Christ,
so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.
- 25 Husbands, love your wives,
as Christ loved the church
and gave himself up for her,
26 that he might sanctify her,
having cleansed her
by the washing of water with the word,
27 so that he might present the church to himself in splendor,
without spot or wrinkle or any such thing,
that she might be holy and without blemish.
- 28 In the same way husbands should love their own wives as their own bodies.
He who loves his own wife loves himself.
- 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh,
but nourishes and cherishes it,
just as Christ does the church,
30 because we are members of his body.
31 “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother
and hold fast to his wife,
and the two shall become one flesh.”
- 32 This mystery is profound,
and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.
- 33 However, let each one of you love his wife as himself,
and let the wife see that she respects her husband. (ESV)

Review:

1:1–3:21 Positional unity of the Church

4:1—6:9 The Proper Conduct of the Church

4:1-16 Call to a mature unity

4:17-24 Walk in Holiness—by purity

4:25-32 Walk in holiness by speaking the truth and demonstrate love not anger

5:1-14 Walk in love and light

5:15—6:9 Walk in Wisdom

Being wise in our conduct and relationship is depended on being filled by the Holy Spirit.

5:15-21 Walk Wisely and Worship Together

Context: 5:18 “be filled with the Spirit”

Paul’s point is that the Holy Spirit is the controlling influence motivating and directing the lives of believers.

The filling is accomplished by a **yieldedness** of the believer to the will of God, through which the Holy Spirit **controls** the believer and is the divine resource which *empowers* the believer for sanctification which results in service.

VII. Proper Conduct in the Church 4:1–6:9

- A. Walk in Unity 4:1-16
- B. Walk in Holiness 4:17-32
- C. Walk in Love 5:1-6
- D. Walk in Light 5:7-14
 - 1. Do not partner with darkness 5:7-10
 - 2. Do not take part in works of darkness 5:11-13
 - 3. Conclusion 5:14
- E. Walk in Wisdom 5:15–6:9
 - 1. Wise worship 5:15-21
 - a. The Filling of the Spirit Ephesians 5:15-18
 - b. Result—Product of doing God’s will and being filled with the Spirit 5:19-21
 - 2. Wise family 5:22-6:4

The Wife’s Primary Responsibility Ephesians 5:22-24

A. **Command: To Submit**

B. Motivation:

C. Model:

D. Requirement:

E. Paradox:

F. Product:

The Husband's Primary Responsibility Eph. 5:25-33

A. **Command: To love**

B. Motivation:

C. Model:

D. Requirements:

E. Paradox:

F. Product:

Summary