

**“A Godly Husband Who Brings God Glory” 4/28/19**  
**1 Peter 3:7**

Sermon Series- *“Living for the Glory of God in a Hostile World”*

**Big Idea-** Husbands, you are called to love your wives by living with them in an understanding and honoring way, so that your prayers are not hindered.

*“Therefore... whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.” 1 Cor 10:31*

**LESSON 1-** A godly man will bring God glory in his SUBMISSION

- A. Husbands are to bring God glory through meeting his wife’s NEEDS (Ephesians 5:25-32; He is to love, sacrifice, purify, nourish, assure her)

*“Husbands, love your wives and do not be bitter toward them.” Col 3:19*

**Going** *God expects husbands to give their LIVES for their wives.*  
**Deeper**

**LESSON 2-** A godly man will bring God glory in his UNDERSTANDING

- A. Husbands are called to DWELL with their wives at home.  
(A husband’s primary focus should be with his home & family)

- B. Husbands are commanded to dwell with wives according to Knowledge

1) Her favorite things? 2) Is she stressed? 3) Lonely? 4) Tired? 5) Her needs?

**Going** *God expects husbands to be active in knowing their wives!*  
**Deeper**

**LESSON 3-** A godly man will bring God glory in his PRAISE

- A. Husbands are commanded to give VALUE to his wife.

Tell her: 1) you love her; 2) she is valuable (with examples); 3) by your actions

**Going** *God demands that husbands value their wives and see them as Heirs!*  
**Deeper**

***WARNING:*** *“so that your prayers aren’t **hindered**”*

***Our Vision-*** *Striving to be Disciples who make Disciples*

## ILLUSTRATIONS highlighting differences in the genders:

An email that illustrates how men & women are unique. It was a debate on whether computers are male or female, referred to as him/her.

This first list came from computer scientists who are male. Computers are female since:

\*No one but their creator understands their internal logic.

\*The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else.

\*The message, "Bad Command or file name" is about as informative as "if you don't know why I'm mad at you, then I'm certainly not going to tell you."

\*As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your paycheck on accessories for it.

That list was countered by a group of all FEMALE computer scientists, computers have to be MALE because:

\*They have a lot of data but are all still clueless.

\*They are supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time they are the problem.

\*As soon as you commit to one, you realize that if you'd waited a little longer, you could have obtained a better model.

\*In order to get their attention you have to turn them on!

Examples of how not to live with your wife in an understanding way:

- 1) Treating your wife as a pack mule - you can carry the whole load - throwing every responsibility on your wife until she collapses (or a work horse)
- 2) Treating your wife as a donkey - unintelligent fool that doesn't know anything. **IS YOUR WIFE INVITED TO SHARE HER THOUGHTS?**
- 3) Treating your wife as a mouse - Squelching her personality; being overbearing; allowing her just to squeek a little once in awhile - but not helping her to grow into the person God intended for her to be.
- 4) Treating your wife as a lion = king of the jungle; bowing to every demand; abdicating your leadership in the home and allowing her to take over and rule the roost; some husbands are completely dominated by their wife; they live as a mouse in their home
- 5) Treating your wife as a golden retriever (get this for me; do this for me...) rather than as a helpmate provided by God; wife not intended to be your slave
- 6) Treating your wife as just one of the worker bees rather than as the queen bee: one of the masses; vs. That very special and unique one God has given you

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