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# Marriage in Christ

Ephesians 5:21-33





**Ephesians 5:21** NIV

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





# 7 Authority Relationships in the Bible

- God the Father over God the Son (1 Cor 11:3)
- **Christ over the Church** (Eph 1:22)
- Church elders over church members (Heb 13:17)
- Government over citizens (Rom 13:1)
- **Husbands over wives** (Eph 5:22-23)
- **Parents over children** (Eph 6:1)
- **Masters over slaves** (Eph 6:5)





**Ephesians 5:30-32** NIV

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### Ephesians 5:22-24 NIV

**Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord.** <sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also **wives should submit to their husbands** in everything.





**Ephesians 5:25-29** NIV

**Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her** <sup>26</sup> to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, <sup>27</sup> and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. <sup>28</sup> In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they **feed [nourish] and care [cherish] for their body, just as Christ does the church.**



## Ephesians 5:33 NIV

However, each one of you also must **love his wife as he loves himself**, and the **wife must respect her husband**.







**Spirit-filled  
teamwork that  
leads to  
God-glorifying  
oneness**

