

**Series:** By Design

**Sermon:** God's Design for Marriage, Part Two

**Scripture:** Ephesians 5:21-33

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### **Ephesians 5:21-33 (ESV)**

<sup>21</sup>submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>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. <sup>24</sup>Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup>that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup>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<sup>l</sup> <sup>28</sup>In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup>For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, <sup>30</sup>because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup>“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” <sup>32</sup>This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup>However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

## **The Design and Fall of Marriage**

Design (Genesis 1-2)

Fall (Genesis 3)

Genesis 3:6b

...and she also gave some to her husband **who was with her**, and he ate. (emphasis added)

“Thus one of the most tragic results of Adam and Eve’s rebellion against God is an ongoing, damaging conflict between husband and wife in marriage, driven by the sinful behavior of both in rebellion against their respective God-given roles and responsibilities in marriage.”

- *ESV Study Bible*

## The Counter Cultural-ness of Marriage

Marriage in Biblical times

Marriage Today

“Today we stay connected to people only as long as they are meeting our particular needs at an acceptable cost to us. When we cease to make a profit – that is, when the relationship appears to require more love and affirmation from us than we are getting back – then we ‘cut our losses’ and drop the relationship.”

- *The Meaning of Marriage*, Keller, p 85

Marriage Redeemed

### Recommended Resources:

Digging Deeper Podcast – [perimeter.org/podcasts](http://perimeter.org/podcasts) – Ep 22 & 23 – Jeff & Shaunti Feldhaun

[\*The Meaning of Marriage\*](#) by Timothy Keller (with Kathy Keller)

[\*Each for the Other: Marriage as it's Meant to Be\*](#) by Bryan and Kathy Chapell

[\*When Sinners Say "I Do"\*](#) by Dave Harvey

[\*The Surprising Secrets of Highly Happy Marriages\*](#) by Shaunti Feldhahn

[\*What God has Joined Together\*](#), The PCA Papers on Divorce and Remarriage

[\*Marriage and the Mystery of the Gospel\*](#) by Ray Ortlund

## The Hope of Marriage

Ephesians 5:21

*Submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ*

A Charge to Wives

Ephesians 5:22-24

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A Charge to Husbands

Ephesians 5:25-27

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## A Charge to Husbands and Wives Together

“...the love of Christ expressed between parents is the most powerful instrument for multiplying Christ’s love through our families. Spiritually healthy marriages are God’s primary means of producing spiritually healthy children. As we represent Christ to one another, he becomes real in our homes, dear to our children, and powerful in the lives our families touch.”

- *Each for the Other*, Chapell, p .153

## A Charge to All Who Wait

Revelation 19:6-8

<sup>6</sup> *Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, “Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. <sup>7</sup> Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; <sup>8</sup> it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure”— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.*