

**Wives, Submit?**  
Ephesians 5:21-24

**The Roman Culture –**

Paul's remarks to husbands and wives are counter to every cultural pattern represented in that society. His vision for marriage is not a concession to any cultural pattern, but substantially challenges them all. His plan is rooted in the creation design and profoundly informed by the relationship that Christ has with His church.

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***"Wives, submit to your own husbands."***

submit =

**Three Observations**

1. It's possible only \_\_\_\_\_ (18-21).

Submission is not primarily a word for \_\_\_\_\_, but a word for \_\_\_\_\_ Christians.

2. It is \_\_\_\_\_ toward \_\_\_\_\_ (21-24).

*"out of reverence for Christ" (21) –*

*"as to the Lord" (22) –*

*"even as Christ is the head" (23) –*

*"as the church submits to Christ" (24) –*

3. It \_\_\_\_\_ (24).

*"in everything"*

**Questions from Wives**

1. What if I feel pressure to \_\_\_\_\_ to other \_\_\_\_\_?
2. What if my husband asks me to \_\_\_\_\_ or do something I'm \_\_\_\_\_?
3. What if my husband is \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_?

4. What if my husband doesn't \_\_\_\_\_?
5. What if my husband says he is a Christian but isn't interested in \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_?
6. What if I am \_\_\_\_\_ and need a \_\_\_\_\_?

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