THE APOSTOLIC MARIAGE

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But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.

1 Corinthians 11:3 (KJV)

DIVINE ORDER OF THE HOME

God (The Spirit)

Christ (God manifest in flesh)

Husband

Wife

Children

Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

Genesis 3:16 (KJV)

Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

Philippians 4:11-12 (KJV)

FIRST PRINCIPLE OF GOVERNMENT IS SUBMISSION

TO GOD

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

James 4:7 (KJV)

TO THE MINISTRY

Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you. Hebrews 13:17 (KJV)

TO ONE ANOTHER

Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

Ephesians 5:21 (KJV)

THE YOUNGER TO THE ELDER

Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.

1 Peter 5:5 (KJV)

ON THE CIVIL LEVEL

Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme;

1 Peter 2:13 (KJV)

ON THE DOMESTIC LEVEL

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.

Ephesians 5:22 (KJV)

FIRST PRINCIPLE OF GOVERNMENT IS SUBMISSION

- 1. Civil government
- 2. Domestic government
- 3. Church government

Ephesians 5:22 (KJV)

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.

For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.

Ephesians 5:23 (KJV)

Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.

Ephesians 5:24 (KJV)

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

Ephesians 5:25 (KJV)

Ephesians 5:26 (KJV)

That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the

washing of water by the word,

That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Ephesians 5:27 (KJV)

So ought men to love their wives as their own

bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.

Ephesians 5:28 (KJV)

nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:

For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but

Ephesians 5:29 (KJV)

For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

Ephesians 5:30 (KJV)

mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

For this cause shall a man leave his father and

Ephesians 5:31 (KJV)

Ephesians 5:32 (KJV)

This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning

Christ and the church.

Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

Ephesians 5:33 (KJV)

Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;

1 Peter 3:1 (KJV)

While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear.

1 Peter 3:2 (KJV)

Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

1 Peter 3:3 (KJV)

But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

1 Peter 3:4 (KJV)

For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands:

1 Peter 3:5 (KJV)

whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord:

1 Peter 3:6 (KJV)

Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

1 Peter 3:7 (KJV)

WIFE'S ROLE IN THE MARRIAGE

FOUR ATTRIBUTES OF A WIFE

- 1. Quiet, confident in God; meekness (harnessed strength)
- 2. Reverent notice, regard, honor, prefer, venerate, esteem, love, admire and defer to him.
- 3. Submission
- 4. Thankful (Don't flatter but praise; flattery is selfish, praise is to build up)

HUSBAND'S ROLE IN MARRIAGE

OBJECTIVE: TO BUILD HIS WIFE

- 1. Security
- 2. Appreciation
- 3. Communication
- 4. Affection

THAT THE WORD OF GOD BE NOT BLASPHEMED...

That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

Titus 2:4-5 (KJV)

3 PARTS TO THE MARRIAGE RELATIONSHIP

60% - Principles

30% - Emotions

10% - Physical