

“The Grace of Marital Living”

Text: I Peter 3:7

Scripture reading: Mark 10: 32-45

I. A living testimony of grace – vv. 1-2

II. A precious testimony of grace – vv. 3-4

III. A timeless testimony of grace – vv. 5-6

Truths to observe from vv. 1-7:

1. A husband's headship is _____ from the context, though not _____ stated.

2. Verse 7 _____ a husband's authority to God's _____ and _____.

3. Verse 7 counters the _____ of authority that was _____ in Peter's day.

IV. An _____ testimony of grace – vs. 7

Intro.: (Eph. 5:21; Phil. 2:3-4)

A) A husband's _____

B) A husband's _____ (Gal. 3:28-29; Eph. 2:5-6; 5:33)

C) A husband's _____ (Matt. 20:25-28)

Summary:

1) A husband _____ as he _____ obediently.

2) A husband's headship is _____ by _____.

3) A husband's _____ is not _____.

Counsel to husbands toward their wives:

“Overcome them with love, and then whatever they are in themselves, they will be loving to you, and consequently lovely. Love will cause love as fire kindles fire. A good husband is the best means to make a good and loving wife.”

-Richard Baxter; Puritan and church leader; 1615-1691

SERMON QUOTES:

IV. An _____ testimony of grace – vs. 7

A) A husband's _____

Wayne Grudem,

“The ‘knowledge’ Peter intends here may include any knowledge that would be beneficial to the husband-wife relationship: knowledge of God’s purposes and principles for marriage; knowledge of the wife’s desires, goals and frustrations; knowledge of her strengths and weaknesses in the physical, emotional and spiritual realms; and so on.”

C) A husband's _____

Pastor John MacArthur,

*“No more serious divine threat could be given to a believer than that – the interruption of all the promises of prayers heard and answered. That is severe, cutting off the divine blessing, which shows how critical is Christian husbands’ loving care of their partners in this **grace of life**.”*