

## **“The Grace of Marital Living”**

Text: I Peter 3:3-6

Scripture reading: Romans 5:1-11

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

**Introduction:** Observations from I Pet. 3, which teaches...

1. ...that although human authority is limited, it is \_\_\_\_\_.
  
2. ...that submission and authority are not \_\_\_\_\_.
  
3. ...that our youth should \_\_\_\_\_ what God \_\_\_\_\_.

### **II. A \_\_\_\_\_ testimony of grace – vv. 3-4**

A) ...Not externally displayed - vs. 3

B) ...But '*hidden*' within - vs. 4 (Is. 66:2)

### III. A \_\_\_\_\_ testimony of grace – vv. 5-6

A) Women who hope – vs. 5

B) Women who obey – vs. 6 (Rom. 5:3-5)

#### **Conclusion:**

1) Biblical submission is not only \_\_\_\_\_, it is \_\_\_\_\_.

2) The heart of submission follows \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

3) Spousal submission is not \_\_\_\_\_ but given \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Our conformity to Christ consists not so much in an imitation of what He did as in an obedience to what He prescribes; the example of Christ is not our rule without the precept of Christ. Some actions of Christ are unimitable, (unable to be imitated), but all His commands are obeyable.”*

-Stephen Charnock; English Puritan, clergy and theologian; 1628-1680

SERMON QUOTE:

**Conclusion:**

2) The heart of submission follows \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

Pastor Thomas Schreiner,

Wives do not, “...*submit to show how godly they are, nor to avoid conflict, nor to impress the neighbors, nor to manipulate their husbands, and not even because she thinks she is wise. She submits because of her relationship with and trust in God.*”