

A Relational God pt.5

Communication
& Submission

Ephesians 5

Review: Genesis 1-2:3

1. Our God is a Relational God.
2. He made us in His image.
3. God made us relational to display the Gospel.

H.A.L.T.

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Hungry - Angry - Lonely - Tired

P.E.S.T.

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Pray - Eat - Sleep - Talk

Genesis 3:8

1. Always willing and available
2. Most gentle approach
3. Looking for repentance for reconciliation

Ephesians 1-5

1. **(1-3) What God has done *for you***

1. Who I am “in Christ”
2. Christ is our Peace and Cornerstone
3. Named, Strengthened, Grounded, Informed, and Filled in the Lord.

2. **(4-6) What God will do *through you***

1. Walk in Unity, Newness, The Spirit...
2. Walk in Love, Light, Wisdom...

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15 See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise,

16 redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

17 Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,

Ephesians 5:15-18

1. Situation awareness and self awareness
2. Seize the opportunity to glorify Jesus
3. Know Gods word and will
4. Be Spirit filled... continually

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19 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,

20 giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

21 submitting to one another in the fear of God.

Ephesians 5:19-21

1. Communication as an act of Worship
2. Thankful attitude in interactions
3. See the joint partnership in life ([Rom 8:17](#))
 - Both are called to:
 - die to self
 - sacrifice
 - honor the creation order
 - be motivated by love and the Lord

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22 Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.

23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.

24 Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.

Ephesians 5:22-24

v22 - Wives - choose wisely, As to the Lord...
motive, not dependent on the man. Looks like

Prov 31

v23 - Husband - Loves, leads, guides, provides,
protects, and cares for her.

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25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,

27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

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28 So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself.

29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church.

30 For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones.

Ephesians 5:25-30

Husband - Agape = die to yourself

Humbly go into her world, lead by example,
teach, love, give, serve and die for her.

Bathe often!

Lover; Giver; Sanctifier; Cleanser;

Presenter; Nourisher; Cherisher

Worldly headship: “I am your head, so you take your orders from me and must do whatever I want.”

Godly headship: “I am your head, so I must care for you and serve you.”

Worldly submission: “You must submit to me, so here are the things I want you to do for me.”

Godly submission: “You must submit to me, so I am accountable before God for you. I must care for you and serve you.”

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31 "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."

32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

33 Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Ephesians 5:31-33

1. A foundation in Genesis - before the fall marriage and roles are established
2. One Flesh! Oneness in everything
3. Marriage is a Prophetic Type (**2 Cor 11:2**)
4. Love (unity in diversity) and Respect

1 John 4:19 NKJV

We love Him because He first loved us.

Conclusion

1. Know your identity and purpose in Christ
2. Seize every opportunity to glorify Jesus
3. Thankful & worshipful in communication
4. Be Spirit filled and Word washed
5. Oneness in everything because of Jesus
6. Love and Respect each other

“The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace.”

Numbers 6:24-26 (NKJV)

