

"Therefore, a man leaves his parents, embraces his wife, and they become as one."

"Out of respect for Christ, be courteously reverent to one another."

Wives, understand and support your husbands in ways that show your support for Christ.

The husband provides leadership to his wife the way Christ does to His church, not by domineering but by cherishing...

What is clearest to me is the way Christ treats the church.

And this provides a good picture of how each husband is to treat his wife, loving himself in loving her, and how each wife is to honor her husband."



If marriage is so good...

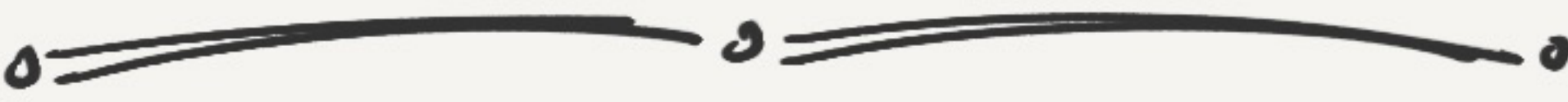
- ↳ why is mine struggling?
- ↳ why didn't I see a good example growing up?
- ↳ why are there so many divorces?

# THE BEST MARRIAGES ARE Christ-centered AND mission-driven.

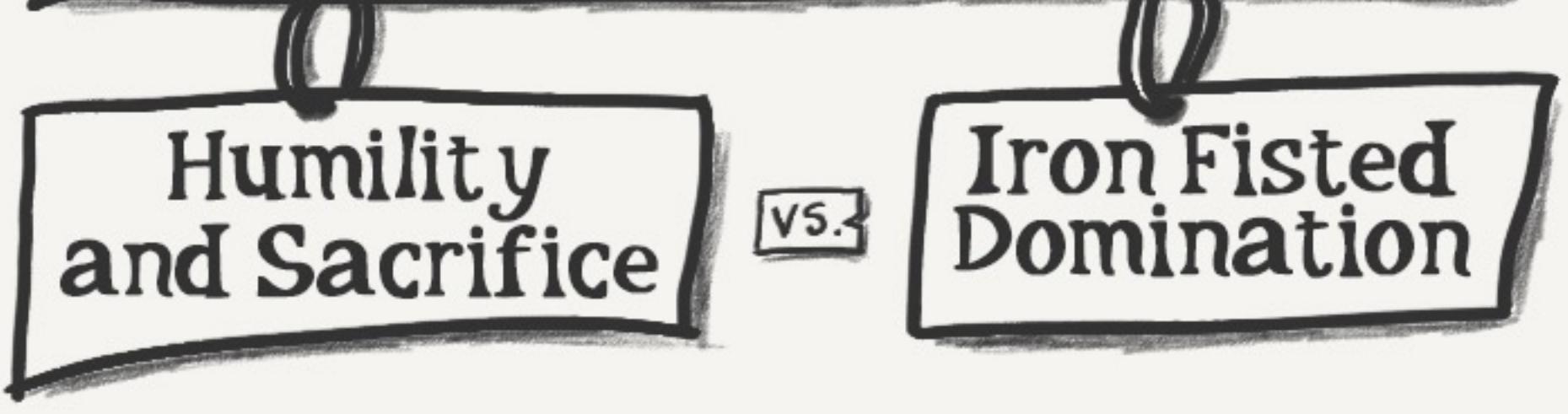


## How does Christ love? Unconditionally

Even when we don't deserve it. Husbands, this is a great responsibility.



### A husband's leadership



"Husbands, treat your wives with respect, because you are joint heirs of God's gift of true life. Do this so that nothing will stop your prayers from being heard."  
- 1 Peter 3:7

## Healthy Marriages TAKE A LOT OF WORK

- 1 She is God's daughter  
Treat her with love and respect.
- 2 Keep dating your wife  
Don't get lazy once you've put a ring on it.
- 3 Lead spiritually  
Men, take the initiative on prayer and devotion to God.
- 4 Live on mission together  
Become more selfless and go where God sends you.



## The over-arching theme of this series...

When you are **Christ-centered and mission-driven**, you will be able to display the **Glory of God** in a dark and broken world.