

Relationships: Love, Marriage, Romance and Dating

TEXT: 1Peter 3



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Redeemer 101 and a Baptism Class - this Sunday, December 3 at 4pm at FCS. Register on-line.*
 - *Covenant Member photos – the next three Sundays. Members plan to have your photo taken between the services in the children’s hallway.*
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LEADING OFF...

1. How does our entertainment culture view and distort love?
2. In contrast, what does the Bible teach us about love?

BIG IDEA: Christian marriage is marked by intentionality.

Read Genesis 3:15-16

3. Why is it important for us to understand these verses in light of *our* relationships?
4. In verse 16, what does God say is the fallout for sin, regarding the husband in the marriage relationship?
5. In verse 16, what does God say is the fallout for sin, regarding the wife in the marriage relationship?
6. How does the gospel combat these fallouts from sin in the marriage relationship?

Read 1 Peter 3:1-4

7. Why do we get messed up about verse 1 and what does the phrase “be subject” (or submissive) actually mean?
8. How does passivity, or a lack of intentionality, cause damage in a marriage relationship?
9. How ought a wife or husband act toward a disbelieving spouse?
10. In verses 3-4, what is Peter saying to women about what is most important?

Read 1 Peter 3:7

11. Again, according to Genesis 3:16 what will be the husband’s temptation?
12. According to 1Peter 3:7, what does Peter tell men about how to treat their wives?
13. What are some practical ways to pursue intimacy in marriage? Share some ways you have found helpful.
14. According to Peter, what connection is Peter making between the way a man treats his wife and the way God will treat him?
15. How does the gospel help us fight the fallout of our sin nature?
16. How ought singles pursue dating and marriage?

Wrapping Up...

17. Whether you are single or married, how has the gospel changed relationships in your life?