



## GIVE IT UP

### UNCOMMON PURSUITS: EPISODE 5 OF 10

1 Peter 3:1-7

*Wives, in the same way submit yourselves to your own husbands so that, if any of them do not believe the word, they may be won over without words by the behavior of their wives, 2 when they see the purity and reverence of your lives. 3 Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as elaborate hairstyles and the wearing of gold jewelry or fine clothes. 4 Rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight. 5 For this is the way the holy women of the past who put their hope in God used to adorn themselves. They submitted themselves to their own husbands, 6 like Sarah, who obeyed Abraham and called him her lord. You are her daughters if you do what is right and do not give way to fear. 1 Peter 3:1-6*

*Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers. 1 Peter 3:1-7*

**MAIN IDEA: AS CITIZENS OF HEAVEN AND NOT THIS WORLD, WE WILL HAVE THE COURAGE TO GIVE UP OUR RIGHTS TO MEET ANOTHER'S NEEDS.**

### WHY SHOULD I BE UNSELFISH?

SELFISHNESS IS THE SOURCE OF **CONFLICT**  
UNSELFISHNESS IS THE SECRET TO **CHANGE**  
SELFISHNESS SHORT-CIRCUITS **PRAYER**

### HOW CAN I BE UNSELFISH?

#### **A. UNDERSTANDING: LEARNING TO CONSIDER OTHER'S NEEDS**

*In the same way, you husbands should live with your wives in an understanding way... 1 Peter 3:7*

*Let everyone see that you are unselfish and considerate in all you do. Philippians 4:5 (TLB)*

#### **B. RESPECT: ABILITY TO HONOR'S OTHER'S VALUE**

*But show them respect, because God gives them the same blessing he gives you - the grace that gives true life. 1 Peter 3:7*

*When you do things, do not let selfishness or pride be your guide. Instead, be humble and give more honor to others than to yourselves. Philippians 2:3*

#### **C. SACRIFICE: THE DECISION TO ACT ON OTHER'S BEHALF**

*Your godly lives will speak to them better than any words. 1 Peter 3:1*

*Let us stop just saying we love people; let us really love them and show it by our actions. 1 John 3:18 (TLB)*

#### **TO BE UNSELFISH I MUST LET GO OF MY FEAR**

*...do what is right and do not give way to fear. 1 Peter 3:6*

**JESUS CHRIST, I PRAY THAT YOUR ATTITUDE OF UNSELFISHNESS WOULD BE EXPRESSED IN MY RELATIONSHIP WITH \_\_\_\_\_.**  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNSELFISH LOVE FOR ME! I ACCEPT YOUR LOVE FOR ME AND PRAY THAT YOU WOULD HELP ME TO LEARN TO LIVE YOUR WAY IN MY RELATIONSHIPS.**

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