

EXILES - COMMITTED

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SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 3: 1-7

SCRIPTURE CONTEXT

As chapter 2 addressed our submission to authority, this chapter focuses in on marriage. We see that both husband and wife are called to be committed exiles to one another whilst on this earth. A believer's home is to reflect God's plans and purposes, so wives are to submit to husbands as the head of their home as the Church submits to Christ its head. And husbands are to sacrificially love their wives with kindness, patience and protection, enabling them to flourish, leading servant-heartedly as Jesus showed. Peter also addresses the cultural lie that beauty is found on the outside. Throughout, Peter is highlighting honour and dignity, that men and women are created equal in value and worth.

QUESTIONS FOR STUDY AND DISCUSSION

1. This passage shows us that the foundations of marriage should be in hope in God. How can this affect our approach to relationships?
2. What ways can women honour their marriages with true beauty and submission?
3. What ways can men show understanding and honour to their wives?