

## Marriage is a Billboard Ephesians 5:21-6:4

-Our Marriages are a billboard. A direct reflection of Jesus and his relationship with the church. Talk about what this means to you?

## Ephesians 5:21 Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ

-What does submission look like in your marriage? Why do you think God makes this a priority?

Philippians 2:6 Jesus who is the very nature of God, did not consider equality with God, something to be used to his own advantage.

- -Jesus didn't try to take leadership from God, He submitted Himself to the Father though they were equal....Why? Because they both had the same mission.
- -Talk through the idea of having the same mission in your marriage. What is the main mission? Do you have different submissions than other couples?
- -Our marriage roles weren't arbitrarily assigned and they are NOT reversible without obscuring Gods purpose for marriage. The Roles of husband and wife are rooted in the distinctive roles of Christ and his church.
- What are some ways we have reversed roles? What are the effects of reversing roles in our marriages?
- -If you aren't being led through a relationship with Jesus, then you are leading your family to a place of failure!
- Do you agree with this statement? Why is placing Jesus first, so important?
- -Communication is the lifeline of any relationship What is the funniest communication fail you have had?

Ephesians 6:1-4 says Children, obey your parents because you belong to the Lord, for this is the right thing to do. Honor your father and mother, This is the first commandment with a promise; If you honor your father and mother, things will go well for you, and you will have a long life on the earth. Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Bather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord.

Break these verses down. Why do you think this commandment is the only one that comes with a promise?

What are some ways we provoke our children to anger?
What are unique ways that you are bringing your children to know Jesus? Share some great tips on how to balance life with kids!