

DO IT **ALL** IN THE NAME OF JESUS

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What direction is everyone else going?

++The direction of "self."

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3 major sources of influence of

SELF = the flesh, the world, & the devil

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¹⁷ And whatever you do or say, do it as a REPRESENTATIVE of the Lord Jesus,....

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Paul uses 3 key relationships:

++Husband & Wife

++Parent & Child

++Employee & Employer

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¹⁸ Wives, submit yourselves to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

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What does this **NOT** mean?

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"submit" means - to yield to.

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²² Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord.

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²³ For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. (Eph. 5:22-23)

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Question: What if my husband isn't a Christ follower?

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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,

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² when they see the purity and reverence of your lives. (1 Pt. 3:1-2)

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¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

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²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, **just as** Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her (Eph. 5:25)

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Christ's love makes the church whole. His words evoke her beauty. Everything he does and says is designed to bring the best out of her,

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dressing her in dazzling white silk, radiant with holiness.

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And that is how husbands ought to love their wives.