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CHURCH OF MADISON

Sermon Guide for Tribes

March 12, 2023

Message Title: We Walk Different: Husbands Love Your Wife

Scripture: Ephesians 5:22-33

²² Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. ²⁴ Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, ²⁶ that He might [Ⓜ]sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, ²⁷ that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. ²⁸ So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. ³⁰ For we are members of His body, [Ⓜ]of His flesh and of His bones. ³¹ "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³² This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. ³³ Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Points of Consideration:

1. Video: It's not about the nail, then what is it about?
2. How did the conflict make you feel about yourself? What message did it send about you?
3. What do you do when your buttons get pushed? How do you react?
4. When you find yourself in the Crazy Cycle: how can we recent and get on the same page with our spouse?
 - a. Call a time out
 - b. Listen to your spouse's heart
 - c. Study your spouse
 - d. Be encouraging
 - Speak Life (Proverbs 18:21)
 - Give Grace (Ephesians 4:29)

Discussion Questions:

In his sermon, Pastor Matt stated that the person who makes the first move to solve a conflict is the one who is the most mature. Why is this a sign of maturity in a relationship? Why is this such a difficult thing to do despite the fact that it involves someone that we love?

In studying the "Crazy Cycle," we discussed emotions or actions that are triggered when we feel unloved or disrespected. Why is it important to identify the triggers causing these emotions/actions? What are some ways in which we can manage/avoid these triggers?

At the beginning of Pastor Matt's message, we watched a video that portrayed an interaction between a husband and a wife; the theme of the video was "It is not about the nail." Explain what the video was meant to convey, and how can we apply this underlying meaning to our relationships?

Begin your time of discussion today by praying earnestly over the Sunday morning service!

You Turn Ministries

- Soccer league outreach
- Pray for nine pastor training schools, and over 200 students
- Pray for the over 80 orphans that You Turn currently supports

Church Plants!

- Hispanic Church Plant
- Be in prayer for Pastor Roberto and his family and for God to open doors amongst the Hispanic community in Morgan County.
- Pray for consistency from new families visiting the Bible study.
- Walton County Church Plant
 - o Pastor Matt is collaborating with local pastors who have a heart for church planting to place a church in the Walton County area. Please pray that God would raise up a planter and a core group of church members and that God would open doors in the near future!
- Specifically, pray for a planter who will lead this church; this is a huge obstacle for the initial stages of the plant.
- Church leaders involved in this plant are assembling a core group of members interested in facilitating small groups and building its early congregation.

Life Community Church, Weymouth, MA

We are offering a missions opportunity to work with our partners at Life Community Church in Boston this summer! We will be working with them during Mobilize 2023, which is July 17-23. It is going to be around \$1200, depending on plane ticket cost. This will include all meals from dinner on Monday through breakfast on Sunday, except for Friday. For more details visit the registration page found on church center or through the link that's been posted on social media as well as on the event in the church calendar. Registration will be closed on April 1st! Strongly consider this great opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus! If you have any questions, email Taylor: taylor@fusionchurchmadison.org

- Visit the link below for a ministry partner update from Noah Madden and Life Community!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uCZ-Vdr2AUI>

- A permanent church building to own.
- “Dots on the Map” for future plants
- Continued relationship with Seach Elementary School in Weymouth, MA - Next steps for families who connected with LCC at the Fall Fun Fest
- Office Space for staff

Prayer requests from the LCC newsletter:

1. Would you pray for those we are interacting with at our local school? Pray for those we are showing and sharing the gospel with — pray for them to see and hear the good news of Jesus.
2. Would you pray that those who came to our Fall Fest would visit for one of our worship gatherings this Christmas season? Pray that God would stir their hearts to accept their invitation to come and explore what LCC is all about.
3. Would you pray that God would provide an office space for us to rent that will allow us to engage our community and take steps forward as a team?
4. Would you pray for our members — that God would give us endurance and steadfastness as we serve faithfully without many breaks. Pray that God stirs more people to take ownership of our ministry.
5. Would you pray that God would give us His vision for 2023 as a family and a church? Pray that He would give us wisdom and discernment as we seek to steward our energy, attention, relationships, and finances.

FCA

- Vision for 2023

1. Send 200 athletes and coaches to camp
2. Facilitate 70 huddles that meet weekly, biweekly, or monthly
3. Hire additional full and part-time staff

Timothy Initiative

- The East African team has been praying fervently for their field leaders and their families; many of them are experiencing significant health issues and are in need of prayer for both healing and financial provision.

- Pray specifically for Pastor Simon Eloiloj, a key leader in the Turkana mission work. Pastor Simon’s wife and daughters have been battling health problems for over 3 months now. His wife, Oriba Kemunto, is currently in need of a third eye surgery, but the family lacks funds and is praying for God to provide a way for them.

- For both the staff and field leaders, prayer has been requested for grace and motivation to continue in service.

- Pray for these pastors as they minister in often desolate, impoverished places with limited resources and cultural opposition.

- The cost of planting a church through TTI is \$400; consider how your tribe may impact believers across the globe by planting a church through TTI!

Nursing Home Ministry

- Daniel and Karrah Howell have recently spearheaded an effort to bless our local nursing home community. Specifically, we as a church are collecting items for which residents regularly ask. Below is a list that designates which items each tribe is collecting, and we would greatly appreciate your help!

Young Adult Tribe-little Knick-nacks, Yarn

Young Married Tribe-Adult coloring books, Cotton balls

Married & Singles Tribe-Nail polish remover, Men's aftershave.

Married(no childcare) Tribe-Devotional Books

Empty Nesters Tribe-Body Spray/Perfume

6th-12th grade Boys Tribe-Can soda/store brand(orange, grape, ginger ale) 6th-12th grade Girls Tribe-Little Debbie snacks/crackers/cookies

Married w/kids(McBay)- Bodywash, Emery boards, Deodorant, Bangle bracelets

Encore Senior Adults-gloves, stocking caps

Married Tribe(Broach)- Turbins, Bandanas, scarves

Please see Daniel or Karrah if you have any questions!