

Different Wives of Hope

TALK IT OVER

Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step.

Key Scripture

1 In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any of them are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of their wives, 2 as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior. 3 Your adornment must not be merely external-braiding the hair, and wearing gold jewelry, or putting on dresses; 4 but let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God. 5 For in this way in former times the holy women also, who hoped in God, used to adorn themselves, being submissive to their own husbands; 6 just as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, and you have become her children if you do what is right without being frightened by any fear. 1 Peter 3:1-6

Key Points

1. A GODLY WIFE SUBMITS TO HER HUSBAND
2. A GODLY WIFE EXUDES THE SINCERITY OF HER INNER PERSON
3. A GODLY WIFE PUTS HER HOPE IN GOD.

Big Idea: This week we will focus on the spirit of the wife toward her husband and its ability to preach the gospel.

Understanding the Text.

- Who's husband should a wife be subject? Why is that significant?
- What is one of the goals of wives submitting to their husbands?
- How are foolish husbands best won over to righteousness?
- What is the difference between internal and external adornment?
- What was Sarah asked to do that called her to submit to Abraham?
- What would have been frightening to Sarah?

Bringing it Home.

- Why does this statement by Peter stir up so much controversy in our culture?
- What are the distortions about headship and submission that pervert it?
- How have you seen conduct have a greater effect than words?
- What is a quiet and gentle spirit?
- How is this idea counter cultural in our world today?
- In what way is submission to ones husband an internal adornment?
- What do you spend more time on adorning, internal or external?

Start Praying.

 Be bold and pray with power.

I pray that I would trust You more. I pray that no matter what circumstance I face, no matter what the future holds, I pray that I would trust in You. I pray I would be confident in my faith. I pray I would stand strong. Help me to also trust my husband. I pray that he trusts in You. Help us together to trust in You and encourage each other to trust in You in Jesus' name AMEN!

Start Doing.

 Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- Ladies, in what ways can you focus on your inner person?
- Tell your group or someone in your group at least one thing you're going to stop so you can live differently.
- Being different isn't just subtraction—it's also addition. What good, godly things can you add to your week?

Dinner Discussion.

- What is the purpose of submission in marriage?

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