



SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

Marriage and Family: Mutual Submission

Ephesians 5:21-24 | May 4, 2025



STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What is the main point of Ephesians 5:21-24?

How does it relate to its context?

2. In what way does God's Word in Ephesians 5:22 command Christian wives to submit to their own husbands and what is the significance of the phrase, "as to the Lord"?

3. How does Ephesians 5:24 establish a correlation between the church's submission to Christ and wives' submission to their husbands?

4. What does "wives should submit in everything to their husbands" mean?

What restrictions might be precluded?

DEEPER STUDY QUESTIONS

1. The scriptures teach mutual submission in a Christian marriage. If you missed Sunday's message, please read the blog (www.fbcmonline.org/blog) for an explanation. If you are married, how do you submit to your spouse? If you are not married, in what way you might submit to your spouse?

2. If you had the opportunity to correct someone's misinterpretation, misunderstanding, and misuse of wives' submission to husbands, how would you explain this divine principle for godly marriage?

USE THE REVERSE SIDE FOR INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY - OBSERVATION, INTERPRETATION, APPLICATION (biblegateway.com)

Make observations of a passage and draw conclusions from those observations.

- **Who** - who is speaking; who is the intended audience; who is present in the moment, etc.
- **What** - what is the passage about; what problem is addressed; what happens; what is being said; what commands need to be obeyed, etc.
- **When** - when is this event taking place?
- **Where** - where is this event taking place, where does it fit in the larger context of the book and Scripture?
- **Why** - why is this message needed, why is it relevant today?
- **How** - how does this change what I know about God and humanity; how do I apply this to my life so that I can follow Jesus more faithfully?