

Beyond the Sermon

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No Longer Two: The Struggle & Unity of Marriage

Sacrificial Husbands | Ephesians 5:23-33

MAIN POINT

Husbands, Jesus is your example

On your own: use these questions to prepare for your group discussion (optional)

- 1. What questions do you still have about the passage?
- 2. What are the main points, ideas, and themes in the passage?
- 3. What did you learn about God from this passage?
- 4. What did you learn about humanity from this passage?
- 5. How does this passage apply to your life right now?
- 6. What are one or two concrete ways you can live out this truth this week?

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

With your group: discuss the following questions:

- 1. Who in movies, TV, or culture represents a good dad in your opinion?
- 2. Husbands, what is one way you can seek God's Word this week?
- 3. What does spiritual intimacy look like in your marriage? If you are not married, where have you seen spiritual intimacy in the marriages around you?
- 4. What are the hallmarks of a man who leads and a wife who respects?

PRE-DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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SUMMARY

Ephesians 5:25-33

25 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, 26 that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, 27 so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.[a] 28 In the same way husbands should love their 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 Christ does the church, 30 because we are members of his body. 31 "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." 32 This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. 33 However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

"It should be considered more manly for a guy to crack open a Bible than to crack open a beer."

Husbands, Jesus is your example, so...

Be men of God's Word (vv. 25-27)

Be men of <u>Christ's Love</u> (vv. 28-30)

Be men of <u>sacrificial leadership</u> (v. 21-33)