

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 7/26/09

SERIES: BENEFITS OF SALVATION

BIBLE PASSAGE: [Ephesians 5:21-33](#)

TITLE: “A HUSBAND’S LOVING LEADERSHIP”

INTRO:

1. Husbands are commanded to set the example. Are you _____ married?
2. Male/female differences...
3. Often trivial differences mount up into _____ problems.
 - a. How does your spouse make you feel loved?
 - b. Does your spouse understand, respect, and support you?
4. Two weeks of _____ on husbands and wives from *Ephesians 5:21-33*. Men and women experience love differently. Want to learn more?

PROPOSITION: First challenge to husbands/called to provide leadership. Men must value marriage and be biblical in their approach to husbandhood.

- I. THE BIBLICAL CONCEPT OF LOVE, *Ephesians 5:25*.
 - A. Love Defined.
 1. Look at the verse/Love like God loves!
 2. Basics: Three Greek words translate into the English word, love.
 - a. Eros-passion, emotion/physical.
 - b. Phileo-concern, affection...
 - c. Agape-sacrifice to _____ another,
cf. 1 Corinthians 13:1-7.
 - B. Love Demonstrated.
 1. A servant-husband sacrifices, *Ephesians 5:25-27*.

- a. Serve at your _____ expense, [Galatians 6:2](#).
 - b. Care vs. control, cf. [Galatians 5:22-26](#).
 - c. Help her achieve her _____.
 - d. Share the workload...
2. A servant-husband nourishes, *Ephesians 5:28 & 29*.
 - a. Nourish-take pains to promote progress...healing.
 - b. Be a resource to your wife/_____ and encourage, cf. [Proverbs 18:22](#).
 3. A servant-husband cherishes, *Ephesians 5:31 & 33*.
 - a. Meeting her emotional and spiritual needs/Protective umbrella...
 - b. Communicate this _____ through words and actions.
 - c. Love her as you love yourself, cf. [Colossians 3:12-14](#).
 4. A servant-husband honors, [1 Peter 3:7-12](#).
 - a. Honor/weaker vessel. Leadership implies responsibility.
 - b. Example of Abraham and Sarah-[1 Peter 3:6](#).
 - c. Honor-acknowledge _____ and worth.
 5. A servant-husband understands, [1 Peter 3:7-12](#).
 - a. "Dwell with your wife with understanding"...
 - (1.) Are you interested in what she thinks?
 - (2.) Do you _____?
 - (3.) Do you listen?
 - b. Commanded to follow God's example/consistent effort.
 - c. Let your _____ be unleashed and expressed!

CONCLUSION:

1. What kind of love is most needed in marriage?
2. Is your marriage resting on a spiritual foundation?
3. Husbands, do you have some changes to make in attitude and action?
4. Give your wife the V.I.P. treatment!