

THE CALL OF A CHRISTIAN HUSBAND EPHESIANS 5:25-33

²² Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

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.

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.

God Points Us to a Very Specific Love. It's Described in Three Ways.

God Points us to a Demonstrated Love

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church

God Points Us to a Sacrificing Love.

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God Points Us to a Providing Love.

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Christ's Love for His Body the Church

 Nourish = ἐκτρέφω = Ektrepho To Provide Food with the Impl. of a Considerable Period of Time

• Cherish = $\theta \alpha \lambda \pi \omega$ = Thalpo To Warm. Care For. Shelter. We Have Both the Example & Power to Do This All Because of Jesus.

Do YOU Know the Savior?

