

HOPE IN MARRIAGE

For the week of October 18, 2020

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“Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives, when they see your respectful and pure conduct. Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear— but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God’s sight is very precious. For this is how the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves, by submitting to their own husbands, as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord. And you are her children, if you do good and do not fear anything that is frightening. Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.” -1 Peter 3:1-7

MESSAGE POINTS

1. Center Yourself in the Gospel
2. Practice Love and Respect
3. Grow Through Trials and Hardships
4. Live for God and His Word
5. Laugh and Enjoy Life Together

BIG IDEA

To infuse and ignite Hope in any marriage, no matter what you’re going through!

GET GOING

- What makes marriage enjoyable or difficult?
- What can you apply from this passage in your marriage or singleness?
- Peter gives husbands and wives some distinct instructions. Wives to be respectful (vs 2) and Husbands to honor their wives (vs 7)... how do you think those two actions bring about great love and unity in the marriage relationship?

- In the message the idea was mentioned of 'leading out of love.' What does that mean?
- How have trials grown your marriage?
- Why is laughing so important to a healthy marriage relationship?
- What needs to die in you for you to love your wife, or respect your husband?

KEEP GROWING

Ephesians 5:22-33

- What does this passage reveal about submission?
- How does the sacrificial love Paul is speaking about relate to the security that women desire?
- Look at verse 29. What are some practical ways that you can nourish and cherish your wife?
- What does it mean to become 'one flesh' in marriage?
- Where do you see the Gospel portrayed in the marriage relationship?

GET GROUNDED

- Write a handwritten letter to your spouse sharing your feelings and thoughts after studying the passage this week.
- Take time to share any struggles, difficulties, temptations or areas of your faith and family life that you want to work on and grow in.
- Take a minute to discuss how you can hold one another accountable and encourage each other throughout the week
- How can we pray for you in relation to what we studied this week?

MEMORY VERSE

"Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them." -1 Timothy 2:1-2

