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**Ephesians 5:18-28**





Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit. Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Ephesians 5:18-21





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church and gave himself up  
for her.



Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:1

Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:7-8



Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.









Loving your wife means doing everything within your power, including setting aside your own life, in order to prioritize, preserve, protect and enhance her well-being.



NOT JUST FOR MARRIED PEOPLE!

The cross is not just the model of love for husbands, it is the model for all Christians as they love and serve one another.







Submitting to your husband means yielding yourself to him because of your love, respect and value for Jesus and him.




## Which do you prefer?

- Loving someone even to the point of giving up your own life for them?
- Submitting to someone in everything?



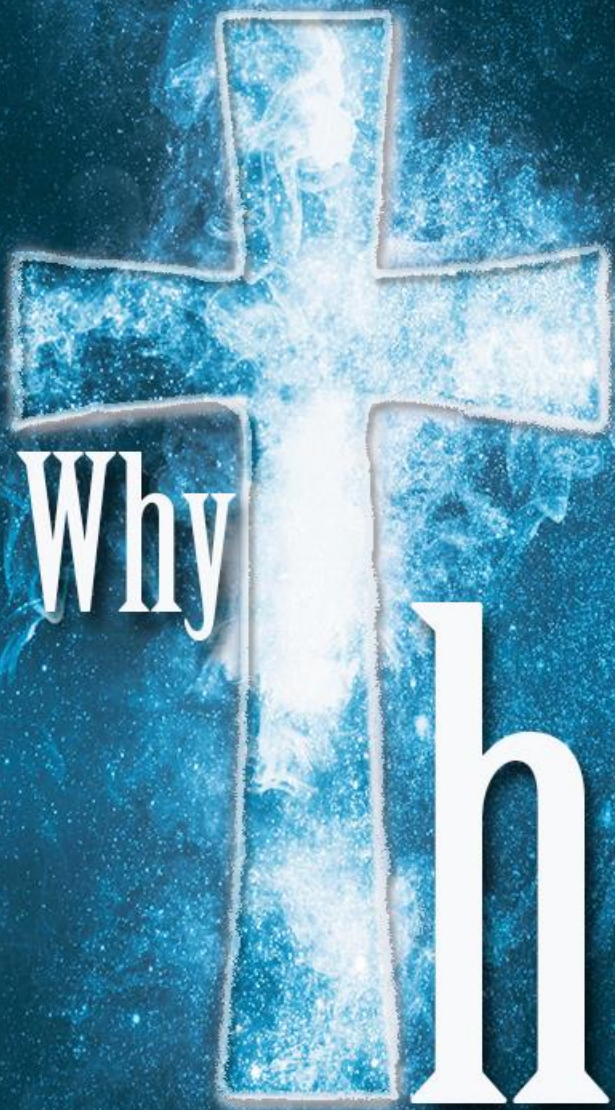




What does it mean to 'submit'? It is to give oneself up to somebody. What does it mean to 'love'? It is to give oneself up for somebody, as Christ 'gave himself up' for the church. Thus 'submission' and 'love' are two aspects of the very same thing, namely of that selfless self-giving which is the foundation of an enduring and growing marriage.

John Stott





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# Man Shows Sacrificial, Christlike Love For Wife By Throwing Socks In General Direction Of Laundry Basket





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Action Step –  
Have a conversation with your wife this  
week and ask her “how can I serve you” and  
“what do you need”.



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Action Step – Identify one area you aren't taking initiative. Attempt doing something in that area at least one evening this week.



The image features a dark blue, textured background that resembles a starry night sky or a deep-sea environment. On the left side, there is a large, glowing cross. The cross is composed of a bright, ethereal light that fills its shape, with a slightly grainy, particle-like texture. The light from the cross fades into the surrounding dark blue background. In the upper right quadrant, the word "Wives" is written in a clean, white, sans-serif font. The text is centered horizontally relative to the right half of the image and is clearly legible against the dark background.

**Wives**



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# Wives

Yield to your husbands leadership.



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Action Step – Model the goal.



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Action Step: Speak words of  
Encouragement.



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**Love the church with your time  
and relationships**

**Action Step – Stop and Reevaluate.  
What do you need to stop doing so that you  
can love others, put their needs ahead of  
your own and build deep relationship.**



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# The Church

Love the church with your hands.



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Action Step – Stop being a  
spectator and be a participant.