

STANDING FIRM: Submission in the Household (Happy Father's Day!)
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- The call to submission is nothing new for the Christ follower
- Our entire faith is rooted in a person (Jesus) who lived out submission his whole life
- Jesus (being God) submitted himself to his earthly parents
- Jesus submitted himself to the will of the father in **Matthew 26:42**
- Jesus submitted himself to roman and religious leaders when they sentenced him to be crucified

Last week we established that submission is not weakness, rather it is meekness (strength under Control)

'Meekness is essentially an attitude or quality of heart whereby a person is willing to accept and choose to submit to the will and desires of someone else'—Author Mark E. Caner of Regent University

What Submission does NOT mean:

1. Agreeing on everything
2. You can't have personal goals, dreams, desires or convictions
3. You can't try to influence a person to go in a different direction
4. You put someone else's will before the will of God
5. Your spiritual strength comes from a person
6. You should do whatever is asked of you
7. Don't take action against abuse (verbal, emotional or physical abuse)

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:1-2 (NIV)

1 Wives, in the same way submit yourselves to your own husbands so that, if any of them do not believe the word, they may be won over without words by the behavior of their wives, **2** when they see the purity and reverence of your lives.

1. Submission (honoring, showing respect for) is a reflection of your TRUST in God

- We need to Trust that God sent Jesus to save your spouse, not you.

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:3-6

3 Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as elaborate hairstyles and the wearing of gold jewelry or fine clothes. **4** Rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight. **5** For this is the way the holy women of the past who put their hope in God used to adorn themselves. They submitted themselves to their own husbands, **6** like Sarah, who obeyed Abraham and called him her lord. You are her daughters if you do what is right and do not give way to fear.

2. Submission is the ultimate display of the Hope that we have in Jesus

- Real Beauty isn't determined by something you own, its determined by where your hope is

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:7

7 Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers.

6 WAYS A HUSBAND CAN SHOW HONOR AND RESPECT FOR THEIR WIVES

1. Be faithful to her
2. Listen to her (listen to understand, not to respond)
3. Create time for her (work is not a valid excuse)
4. Defend your wife not criticize her
5. You become her biggest cheerleader
6. You support her in her pursuit of her goals, dreams and OWN convictions.

3. How you honor, respect and view your wife has a direct impact on your relationship with God.

- Husbands have the responsibility to partner with God to make sure their wives step into the full plans that God has for their lives.