

Straight Talk for Men

One – Part 3

Ephesians 5:22-33

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If You Want To Be A Godly Husband...

1. ACCEPT YOUR ROLE AS HER LEADER.

"Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything." Ephesians 5:22-24 (NKJV)

"...The head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God." 1 Corinthians 11:3 (NLT)

2. ACCEPT YOUR ROLE AS HER LOVER.

"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones." Ephesians 5:25-30 (NKJV)

HOW?

➤ SPECIFICALLY.

"Husbands, likewise, dwell with them with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered." 1 Peter 3:7 (NKJV)

➤ SACRIFICIALLY.

"Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others." Philippians 2:4 (NIV)

➤ RELENTLESSLY.

3. ACCEPT YOUR ROLE FOR A LIFETIME.

"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband." Ephesians 5:31-33 (NKJV)