

Intentional Living
The Respectful Wife
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The Passage

Ephesians 5:22-24,33

Respect - means to revere, defer to, or to honor.

#1 The respectful wife understands submission and headship.

Genesis 1:27, Genesis 2:18, 1 Corinthians 11:3, Matthew 26:39, 1 Peter 3:1-2

- ✓ Equal in value, different in roles
- ✓ Singular headship - plural leadership
- ✓ Deferring to one another

#2 The respectful wife will still struggle with sin and fail to rest in her role.

Genesis 3:16

- ✓ Compete - try to be the boss
- ✓ Complete - try to be God
- ✓ Complement - try to help

#3 The respectful wife helps her husband.

Genesis 2:18, Genesis 2:15, Proverbs 31:23

- ✓ Recognize his role
- ✓ Regard his work
- ✓ Respond to his leadership

THE RESPECTFUL WIFE'S HOMEWORK
ASK YOUR HUSBAND TO SHARE 5 THINGS
THAT MAKES HIM FEEL **RESPECTED** BY **YOU**

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Communion

If you've placed your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, we invite you to partake in Communion wherever you happen to be worshiping. Here are some steps that we encourage you to follow:

1. Prepare a small piece of bread (cracker or similar) and a small cup of grape juice (or something similar) that can serve as the elements of Communion.
2. Take a few moments and read 1 Corinthians 11:23-25.
3. Spend a few moments in prayer (silently or aloud) confessing your sins to him and thanking Jesus for the forgiveness of sins and eternal life he offers you today.
4. Partake in the elements of Communion as you are ready.

TALK IT OVER

Ice Breaker - What's one thing about you as a woman or spouse that likely no one knows.

1. Pastor Ryan talked about how there can be a bunch of tension in marriages. Growing up, what were your parents like? Loving and respectful marriage? Or not so much?
2. Read Ephesians 5:22-24,33. What stands out to you in the passage and why?
3. From the message on Sunday, what stood out to you and why?
4. What's one thing you are going to do differently?
5. As a single what do you sense that God could have you do differently?
6. Take some time to pray for the wives in our church to trust God's way and help strengthen their marriages.
7. Take some time to pray for all the wives in our community and moms that need to look to you in this time of need for help in their life and marriage and family.