

Ephesians 5:22-6:9 Overview: Spirit Filled Living in the Home

1. Context:

- a. Chapters 1-3: Gospel _____:
 - i. God has _____ and _____ us. (1)
 - ii. God has _____ and _____ us. (2)
 - iii. God will reveal his _____ and _____ in us. (3)
- b. Chapters 4-6: Gospel _____:
 - i. Five _____: corporate commands. –4:1-5:21
 - ii. Six _____: individual commands. –5:22-6:9
 - iii. One _____: group battle strategy. –6:10-24

2. Content:

- a. Wives to husbands, and husbands to wives. –5:22-33
- b. Children to parents, and fathers to children. –6:1-4
- c. Slaves to masters, and masters to slaves. –6:5-9

3. Consequence:

- a. Each is addressed _____:
 - i. We all possess an equal _____. –Gal 3:8
 - ii. We all share a common _____. –Eph 4:21; Titus 2
- b. Each is addressed _____:
 - i. _____ of function does not negate our dignity. –Eph 5:25
 - ii. God holds us each _____ responsible. –1 Pet 2:13-3:7
- c. Each is motivated _____:
 - i. These instructions do not originate with _____. –Gen 1:26-28
 - ii. Our household relationships are designed by God to _____ truth about God and the gospel. –Eph 5:23, 25-26

Ephesians 5:22-33

Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶ that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸ In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰ because we are members of his body. ³¹ “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” ³² This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³ However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.