

Youth Bible Study Lesson 22

Titus 2:4 "That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands..."

Our study for this week is for the unmarried women, the married women, the unmarried men and the married men. That covers all of us. All you unmarried men pay attention as these are the types of ladies you ought to be looking for.

Did you know that God says that women need to be taught to love their husbands? When God established the institution of marriage He put an order to it. Look back at Gen. 3:16. Sin has now entered the world and God gives Adam and Eve some new information as to what their life will now be like. "Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy _____ and thy _____; in _____ thou wilt bring forth children; and thy _____ shall be to thy _____, and he shall _____ over thee."

This is not just information from God but a sentence (curse) for the sin they committed.

This sentence (curse) placed on mankind by God was not to destroy man, but to bring to mankind a remembrance of the justice of God. Our need for God, a dependence on God.

God tells Eve that her "desire" shall be to her husband..." Eve knew all about desire. In Gen. 3:6 as Eve feasted her eyes on the tree of the knowledge of good and evil she saw it and _____ it to make her _____. She wanted it, wished for it, hungered for it. And Eve followed her desire, passion for wisdom (to be like God vs. 5) and she took and ate. God says that a women's desire is to her husband.

God put a desire in women for their man. Do women rebel, pervert and deny this desire? Yes, but like it or not, it is there. Women are also told that their husbands have the rule over them. God establishes an order for mankind.

Read I Cor. 11:7-12. This passage is challenging to me and I don't profess to have a great understanding of it. But we do see the God given structure for men and women here. The man's God given position is the _____ of the wife according to Eph. 5:23. The wife is to _____ to her husband in Eph. 5:22. Just as the church is to _____ unto Christ in Eph. 5:24, so also should wives be subject to their _____ in _____. In teaching young women to love their husbands, words like submit, rule, and subject are at the forefront.

Col. 3:18 "Wives _____ yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord."

I Tim. 2:11 "Let the woman learn in silence with all _____."

A godly woman can't say she loves her husband and at the same time deny his authority. A godly woman who submits and is subject to her husband is in reality serving the _____. Eph. 5:22 and Col. 3:18

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Eph., 5:33 "uses a different word that bears our attention. "...and the wife see that she _____ her husband. This is the only time Paul uses the word reverence. Look up I Kings 1:31. Bathsheba (David's wife) _____ her face and did _____ to the king. I'm not advocating kneeling but a healthy fear, respect, and esteem for our husbands. How often I see husbands melt in fear of their wives cruel tongue and threatening posture or giving them the silent treatment. Women demeaning their husbands and bringing them to their knees! The greatest thing we can give our husbands is our reverence!

When serving the Lord is the desire of the believer, these instructions will be our delight.

I think of Sarah when God told Abraham that he would father a child with then 90 year old Sarah. Sarah in Gen. 18:12 and I Pet. 3:6 calls Abraham _____. I'm not suggesting girls that we call our husbands or husbands to be lord but that we take pleasure in them in their God given authority. Might they abuse their position? That does not exempt or negate us from our position!

I Pet. 3:1-6 gives an example of a believing wife and an unsaved husband. The wife is still to be in subjection and I love vs. 4. Who is watching? _____ ...which in the _____ of _____ of great price.

Dear ladies, God is pleased with our submission to our husbands. What more could we desire than to please the Lord who loved us and gave himself for us?

Men, if you have a wife, encourage her in these verses and if you hope to have a wife, look for one who understands and has been taught to love her husband. God is not going to drop the right one down the chimney!

Lesson 22 Answers and Comments

Sorrow submit
Conception subjection
Sorrow Lord
Desire reverence
Husband bowed
Rule reverence
Desired lord
Wise God
Head sight
Submit God
Subject
Husbands
Every
Thing

With over 50% of all marriages ending in divorce in our country and the very definition of marriage being challenged we need to look to the word of God for our instruction. God established marriage between one man and one

woman, Gen. 2:24. Marriage is the relationship God uses to example the relationship between Christ and the Church (body of Christ) Eph. 5:21-33.

If you are married, is your marriage an example of that? If your thinking about getting married some day let the word of God direct your decision in choosing a mate and then to establish your marriage as God intended.