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1 Peter – “A Living Hope”

Session 10

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“Conduct that builds up”

Peter continues in the area of submission in this passage. In this case, wives are to submit to their husbands, and husbands **“likewise”** to their wives. Submission is not a positional thing, but a spiritual one that enables us to minister one to another. It is a way of conducting ourselves that can be used by God for the benefit of others. This other mindedness runs throughout Scripture; Christ being our perfect example. When wives submit to their husbands, particularly unbelieving husbands, it can win their husbands to Christ. When husbands submit to their wives, it can build them up in the riches of God’s grace. Do you make your life all about you; or are you submitting yourself to the good of others; that they might be saved and built up in Christ?

Passage: 1 Peter 3:1-7 (NKJV)

Personal Study Time Questions:

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:1

How are wives to **“conduct”** themselves toward their husbands, and to what end?

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:2-3

What type of conduct is described in verse 2? Look that word up in a dictionary. Of the various definitions, which one lines up with verse 3? What type of **“adornment”** is verse 3 suggesting?

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:5

How were the “*holy women*” of “*former times*” able to submit to their husbands?

Scripture: 1 Peter 3:7

Peter calls husbands to “*likewise*” conduct themselves as the wives are called to. In other words, have an attitude of submission. How are they to conduct themselves with their wives, and why?

Scripture: Ephesians 5:25-26

How are men to conduct themselves towards their wives that would reflect being in submission to their care? Who does Paul compare this conduct to? What is the goal of this loving submission to their wives?

Scripture: Philippians 2:1-8

Having received so much from Jesus, Paul calls us to be of one accord, one mind toward one another. What attitude does he call us to have toward one another in verses 3-4? How did Jesus set the example according to verses 6-8?

Personal Application:

Read through Philippians 2:1-8. What does it teach you about the idea of submission for the sake of others? How does it use Jesus in order to exhort us towards this submissive spirit? What kind of thinking or attitude, described in the Philippians passage, will keep us from being imitators of Christ? What relationships in your life need to change from “stinking thinking” to spiritual submission to the authority and example of Christ? What can you do in word and deed to correct those relationships?

Hiding God’s Word in your heart (Ps. 119:11):

“Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.”

Philippians 2:5-8