

# God's Blueprint for Marital Bliss

## MARRIAGE ON THE ROCK

Ephesians 5:22-33 *Wives, submit to your husbands AS to the Lord. 23 For the husband is the head of the wife AS Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. 24 Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. 25 Husbands, love your wives, JUST AS Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her 26 to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, 27 and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. 28 In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. 29 After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church-- 30 for we are members of his body. 31 "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." 32 This is a profound mystery--but I am talking about Christ and the church. 33 However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.*

### Three main reasons we resist making changes:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ of Going First
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Influence
3. Lack of \_\_\_\_\_

Hebrews 11:6 *And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.*

## Biblical Roles \_\_\_\_\_

### Top Four Needs

#### Husbands Need

1. Honor
2. Sex
3. Fun and Fellowship
4. Support at Home

#### Wives Need

1. Security
2. Non-Sexual Affection
3. Open & Honest Communication
4. Leadership

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**God's design for marriage is a \_\_\_\_\_  
male leading an \_\_\_\_\_ female  
with their love selflessly directed toward  
one another.**

*Luke 6:38 Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."*

**“IF THE GRASS LOOKS GREENER ON THE  
OTHER SIDE, IT’S TIME TO START WATERING  
YOUR OWN YARD.”**