

The Power of a Husband's Love

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NOTICE: The emphasis of our discussion is to see how the Written Word (Bible) and the Spoken Word (Preaching) work together to build up the believer, so when you see WORD in the questions, know it refers to the Scripture and the Sermon.

Recap: *Look back for evidence of God's word reshaping your heart and life.*

1. Does anyone have a testimony of how last week's WORD (a wife's joyful desire to submit to her husband) was put into practice?

Engage: *Look into the Word of God in light of Sunday's preached sermon.*

2. Read Colossians 3:19 and Ephesians 5:25-32.

Reflect: *Look deeper at the preached and written Word.*

3. Read Colossians 3:12-13 and 1 John 4:10, 19. Reflect on the foundation that enables the husband to fulfill God's command to love his wife.
4. Read James 3:2a. Reflect on the quote Richard shared: "Deep, satisfying marital love comes as a couple commits themselves to the unending cycle of repenting and forgiving."
5. What is the correlation between a husband's sacrifice and responsibility in loving his wife to her glorifying God? (Eph. 5: 25-30).

Respond: *Look ahead and around to see how you can be obedient and missional.*

6. What are practical ways to implement God's definition of love in your marriage? Refer to 1 Corinthians 13:4-7.
7. Richard said the weight of marriage reconciliation is the husband's responsibility. What are some ways husbands can initiate reconciliation?