

Wives and Husbands

- Submission: Clarity on the "Who"
 Wives to their own husbands
 Church members to elders (Heb. 13:17; 1 Pet. 5:1-4; 1 Tim.
- Suggesting that women should be submissive to men has no foundation in Scripture and is to lapse into patriarchy

 Submission: Something Meaningful

 o If your understanding of submission within marriage doesn't

 - involve asymmetry in authority, you aren't understanding it biblically.
 - However, if the interactive dynamic of a marriage is primarily one of asymmetry, a husband isn't leading
 - Bottom line: Wives are to act in accordance with their husbands' leading and direction, while expecting to have authority and influence of their own in the home as their husbands' leadership takes a biblical shape.

2

Wives and Husbands

- > Submission: The Motivation
 - o Evangelism
 - o Fear of the Lord (Gr. en phobos, lit. "in fear"; cf. 1 Pet. 1:17; 2:17)
- ➤ A Woman's World (Gr. kosmos)
 - o Beautiful **person** vs Beautiful **appearance**
- > A Gentle and "Quiet" Spirit
 - o A quiet temperament vs. A quiet soul
 - God does not desire for wives (and women, more generally) to be ungrounded and flamboyant, but secure and content.