

LOVE AND RESPECT #4
(1Peter 3:1-7)

I. RESPONDING BY FAITH AND SUBMISSION TO YOUR TRAILS AND SUFFERING (2:11-3:22)

A. Christian wives must display an _____ of _____ to your _____. (3:1-6)

1. Christian wives are commanded – “be _____”. (3:1)

a. “*Submissive*”: to _____.

b. Misunderstandings about biblical submission:

(1) Submission is _____ a _____ word. (1 Cor.11:3; 15:28)

(2) Submission does not mean that the wife will be viewed like as a _____ or _____ in the home. (1 Pet. 3:7)

(3) Submission does not give permission to the husband to be dominating in the home as an autocratic _____. (Eph. 5:25)

(4) Submission allows the wife freedom to fulfill her role in the home and with other women. (Titus 2:3-5)

c. The wife’s submission is to be _____ and _____ as unto the Lord, seeking to please her God.

A wife is _____ to submit when asked to do anything morally, doctrinally or legally contrary to the revealed will of God. (Prov. 21:1; Acts 5:29)

2. Christian wives who are married to an _____ - “*If some do not obey the Word*”.

3. A Christian wife’s adornment should emphasize the _____ above the _____
_____. (3:3-6)

a. *Negatively*... Do not emphasize the external beauty. “*Do not let your adornment be merely _____*...”

Positively... Emphasize the inner spiritual beauty of a heart yielded and trusting the Lord. “*rather let it be the HIDDEN person of the HEART...*” (1Sam. 16:7; Prov. 11:16, 12:4, 14:1, 30:10-31; 1Tim. 5:9-10; Titus 2:3-5)

-“*a gentle spirit*” – _____

-“*a quiet spirit*” – _____

* But why is the inner person so important?

* Christian wives, which beauty are you seeking to enhance?

b. Christian wives have a _____ of submission and obedience. (3:5-6)

B. Christian Husbands must dwell with their Wives in _____ and _____. (3:7)

1. “*Husbands*” is _____ as _____ Christian husbands are addressed, no exceptions.
2. “*Likewise*” introduces another group of Christians, _____, and points back to 2:21-25 where _____ was willing to _____ to God’s will, even if it meant great SACRIFICE for Him. Husbands are to submit to God’s will in their marriage to glorify Him in a godly home.
3. Christian husbands are _____ to “_____” toward their wives. (1Cor. 7:28-33; Eph. 5:25-33; Col. 3:19; 1Pet. 3:7)
4. Christian husbands must “_____ to the wife as the _____”.

* How can you honor your wife in a practical way?

5. Every Christian husband must remember he and his wife are “*heirs together of the grace of life*”.
6. Every Christian husband must know that their prayers will be hindered if he does not follow God’s role for him in the marriage. Prayers are hindered because their human relationship breaks down and then affects their walk with Jesus Christ. (Eph. 4:26) “*That your prayers be not hindered*”
 - Is it important for husbands and wives to pray together?