

## The Making of Marriage "Sacrificial Love" Ephesians 5:25-33

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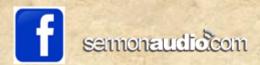
**Food For Thought:** Nowhere else in a man's life is he called to be more like Christ than in the home with his wife. Some may shrink away from this call and role much like Adam at the beginning. However the second Adam (Jesus Christ), has shown us how to sacrificially and humbly love our brides. The cost is great but the rewards and joy are greater still.

- 1. How would you explain the main goal of the Christian marriage?
- 2. In practical terms, how can husbands "love their wives as their own bodies?"
- 3. How can a Christian husband apply vv. 25-27 to his marriage?

Bible Text Ephesians 5:25-33 (ESV)

25 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, 26 that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, 27 so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. 28 In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, 30 because we are members of his body. 31 "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." 32 This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. 33 However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

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And they continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and prayers. – Acts 2:42 (NKJV)