

Undivided | Jesus Changes Marriage (and marriages!) | Ephesians 5:21-33

GET READY | How can I come prepared?

- 1. Watch the message if you can. You can find the latest message on YouTube or our website. Be ready to share any "aha moments" or takeaways you had.
- 2. Read Ephesians 5:21-33 on your own. Jot down any observations or questions you have.

CATCH UP | How are we doing?

How do you feel about romantic comedies? Do you have a favorite?

DIG IN | What's God saying in Scripture?

Quiet your hearts, pray and then read Ephesians 5:21–33 out loud. Reflect on the passage together. If necessary, use some of the questions below to jumpstart your conversation.

Christian Wives

- 1. Paul speaks to Christian wives who are used to being treated as second-class citizens in the Roman world and calls them to Christ-like "submission" to their husbands.
- 2. Read Philippians 2:1-11. How does Jesus redefine biblical submission for all of His followers?
- 3. How would a non-believer in the 21st century interpret this call to submission? How does Paul's instruction subvert that?

Christian Husbands

- 1. Paul wrote to Christian husbands who were used to being told they were superior to their wives in every way and calls them to love their wives.
- 2. List out the details of verses 25–33. How does Paul's instructions to Christian husbands subvert worldly stereotypes?
- 3. Why do you think Jesus, Paul and Peter are the only ancient thinkers calling husbands to love their wives instead of rule over them?

WIND DOWN | How can we encourage one another?

Take a moment to pray that God would empower His people to rise above the world's definition of marriage and grow toward greater Christ-likeness.