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# FOCUS **OUT**

**"HOW DO I 'DO'?" - PART 2**

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## MESSAGE NOTES

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How would you define what makes a \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_?

It seems to involve a lot of \_\_\_\_\_, doesn't it?

When Jesus is first place in our lives and everything we do or say is for His praise alone, it will have a positive impact on every relationship and personal encounter we have... Including a man's understanding of \_\_\_\_\_.

## Here's the Command ([Colossians 3:19](#))

Husbands, love your wives and do not be \_\_\_\_\_ with them. ([NIV](#))

Husbands, love your wives and never treat them \_\_\_\_\_. ([NLT](#))

Husbands, love your wives and do not be \_\_\_\_\_ toward them. ([NKJV](#))

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## Explore every angle: What is this one sentence saying?

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Specifically: A husband is a man who takes the time to fully \_\_\_\_\_ his wife, and who weighs his \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ toward her... and \_\_\_\_\_ her.

Similarly: A man is a male who helps a woman around him \_\_\_\_\_ and speaks \_\_\_\_\_ into her so she can become \_\_\_\_\_. God has made her to be.

An experiment... how do you usually say this? "This \_\_\_\_\_."

Men seeing a woman as a \_\_\_\_\_ isn't just ancient history.

Write it: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## Here's the Context ([Colossians 3:18](#))

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How we regard each other shouts a \_\_\_\_\_ to the world.

## Here's the Conversion ([Colossians 3:15-17](#))

What's going on between you and the men/women in your life has to do with what's going on between you and \_\_\_\_\_.  
Men, if you were never taught how to be a man/husband/dad, but you're walking with God every day and letting the Holy Spirit lead you, you're going to be \_\_\_\_\_. You're going to actually be \_\_\_\_\_.  
The heart of a godly man drives him to fill his life with God... so that which is done in private can become public. There is no \_\_\_\_\_.

## Here's the Conflict ([Genesis 2:15-18](#), [3:6-12](#))

*Then the Lord God called to the man, "\_\_\_\_\_?" ([Genesis 3:9](#))*  
**This question isn't about geography... but \_\_\_\_\_.**  
The first man was created to live \_\_\_\_\_ with God, then his wife... but the insecurity of sin turned his God-given \_\_\_\_\_ into a \_\_\_\_\_...  
and it turned the man's words into \_\_\_\_\_...  
that is, until he was disciplined by God. (see [Genesis 3:17-20](#))

## Am I focused **OUT**?

With God as your Source, it's time to let go of \_\_\_\_\_.  
If you aren't fully claiming your 'YES!' to Jesus, you're fully missing your \_\_\_\_\_ in every relationship.

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## DISCUSSION GUIDE

- Icebreaker -

*If you could recover one material thing from your life that was either lost or destroyed, what would it be and why?*

*NOTE: Sunday's message dealt specifically with marriage, and while we recognize that not all group members are married, scripture always contains principles which apply to all Jesus followers.*

1. Pastor Tony said, "When Jesus is first place in our lives and everything we do or say is for His praise alone, it will have a positive impact on...a man's understanding of himself." Husbands, if you are a Christ-follower, how has your relationship with Jesus positively impacted your understanding of who you are and your role as a husband?
2. Pastor Tony's paraphrase of [Colossians 3:19](#) says: "A husband is a man who takes the time to fully cherish his wife, and who weighs his words and attitude toward her..." Husbands, what is the relationship between "cherishing" your wife and "weighing your words and attitude toward her"? How well do you make that connection in your marriage?
3. In a second, similar paraphrase, Pastor Tony wrote: "A man...helps a woman around him prosper and speaks life into her so that she can become all God has made her to be." Husbands, what can you do to make this a priority in your marriage? Wives, what would it mean to you if he did?
4. Read [Colossians 3:15-17](#). Pastor Tony indicated that this passage describes the source of a man's (and woman's) ability to live out the kind of marriage relationship described in verses 18-19. If you live in Christ's peace, message, wisdom, and gratitude through His Spirit, what impact, specifically, can you see it having on your marriage relationship?
5. Read [Genesis 2:15-18](#), [3:6-12](#). Pastor Tony points out that these passages illustrate a common problem for husbands who are insecure in their role: they hide. Husbands, when God looks for you in your marriage, is he asking, "Where are you?" How can you step out of hiding and grow into your God-given role?

Day One: [Luke 21](#); [Psalm 65](#)

Day Two: [Exodus 15](#); [Proverbs 3](#)

Day Three: [Colossians 4](#); [1 Samuel 16](#)

Day Four: [Revelation 22](#); [Isaiah 65](#)

Day Five: [Job 3](#); [Acts 9](#)

## PERSONAL GUIDE



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