

Heaven in the Home: Husbands

Ephesians 5:21-33

Introduction: The Bible teaches that marriage is “a great mystery” but marriage between a man and a woman points to an infinitely greater mystery. We cannot understand marriage apart from God’s word. God is the expert on marriage.

Definition of Marriage: The lifelong monogamous covenant relationship of love between a man and a woman designed to reflect God’s infinite love for us in Christ. Marriage is God’s instrument to refine our character, satisfy our deep need for intimacy and provide a safe and stable family environment for the birth and nurturing of children.

The secret ingredient of Christian marriage (v. 21)

Warning: Your mate cannot possibly meet your every need.

A husband’s top priority – “Husbands, love your wives.” (Eph. 5:25, 28, 33)

The four dimensions of a husband’s love:

1. Love that self-denies (vs. 23, 25)

2. Love that purifies (vs. 25-26)

3. Love that beautifies (vs. 27)

4. Love that identifies (vs. 28, 33)

Conclusion: Despite the pessimism of our times, I believe that Christian men have a great chance at turning the tide in the American home.