

Heaven in the Home: Wives

Ephesians 5:21-24

Introduction: Today I want to reveal one of God's most precious and unexpected spiritual treasures. Sometimes the hidden truths of the Bible can seem like nasty obstructions instead of precious treasures. For today's confused politically-correct culture, the biblical teaching of a woman's role in marriage is like an unwanted sewer clog that makes some people complain loudly. But, inside the pipeline of truth is God's wisdom that every wise woman needs to hear and to heed.

The secret ingredient in Christian marriage (vs. 21)

The command to women in marriage (vs. 22)

The principle of submission – Divine order of deference

The practice of submission – Deference born out of respect for Christ

The perversion of submission – Three deadly “M’s” wives must avoid

1. Manipulation – Control your husband using clever and deceptive means.

2. Make-up - An obsessive emphasis on external appeal with no concern for internal character development.

3. Pseudo-Maturity - Christian women who use Bible knowledge to intimidate their husbands.

The compliment to women in marriage (vs. 23)

Conclusion: