

it's complicated!

February 12/2017 Sermon

Week 2 Member Guide

1-2
minutes

sermon recap: what did the text mean? what does it mean?

In the message this week we learned that wives were designed to be their husbands helpers and wives can best express their love by offering respect.

30-35
minutes

the text: what does it mean for me?

The Text:

Read Genesis 2:18-24

- Does our culture generally agree with God's design for a wife's role in marriage? If not, why?
- **Wives:** How do you feel about your role as a helper to your husband?
- **Husbands:** What are some things that your wife does that make you thankful she's your helper?

Read Ephesians 5:31-33

- How does Jesus show His love for the Church?
- How can the Church show deep respect for Jesus?
- How can a wife show deep respect for her husband?
- Why do you think wives need love and husbands need respect?
- What do you think the scripture is implying about husband loving his wife as himself?

QUESTIONS FOR WOMEN:

- What do you think is our greatest challenge in respecting our husbands?
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
- According to Ephesians 5 what are some ways we can show respect to our husbands even when he doesn't deserve it?
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

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- What are some attitudes we need to change to improve our ability to respect our husbands better?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

- In what ways do you benefit when your husband fulfills his role in loving you as himself?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

QUESTIONS FOR MEN:

- What do you think is your wife's greatest challenge in respecting you?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

- According to Ephesians 5 what are some ways we should respond when our wives don't offer respect to us?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

- What are some attitudes your wife needs change to improve her ability to respect you better?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

- In what ways does your wife benefit when you fulfill your role in loving her?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

- **Husbands:** What was your main take-away from the ladies responses?

- **Wives:** What was your main take-away from the men's responses?

5-10
minutes

digging deeper

Please take the time to end your group time by watching this video "Broken Together" by Casting Crowns and allow your group to pray for each other's marriages.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RhxELo-uD3c>