

Fathers

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Eph 5:25-6:4

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4 *Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.* NIV

Instructions to husbands...5:25-33

What is the sweeping command Paul gives to husbands? 5:25; Col.3:19; IPet.3:7

For us husbands, what is the sobering reality of ‘love her as Christ loved the Church’?

What was the goal of Christ regarding His Bride, the Church? 7:26-27; Jn.17:17-19

And how does this incredible goal for the church apply to us husbands? 7:28a; Gen.2:21-24

What is the great truth in 7:29-30?

The Great Mystery...5:31-33

What is the profound mystery Paul reveals in 5:31?; Gen.2:24; Mt.19:5; Mark 10:7-8; ICor.6:16

What is the astounding conclusion of this? 5:32; see 3:1-10; Col.2.2

How does he pull this incredible lofty truth back to us? 5:33; Col.3:19

Now, about those children...6:1-4

What are children commanded? 6:1-3; Lev.19:3; Ex.20:12; Deut.27:16; Prov.20:20

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For us husbands, what is the sobering reality of ‘love her as Christ loved the Church’?

This kind of love is without reservation or excuses. It's with our very lives, if necessary!

What was the goal of Christ regarding His Bride, the Church? 7:26-27; Jn.17:17-19

To present her holy/clean / Word, radiant, no stains/wrinkles/blemish. Holy/blameless!

And how does this incredible goal for the church apply to us husbands? 7:28a; Gen.2:21-24

In this same way, husbands are to love their wives, like their own bodies!! That's ??

What is the great truth in 7:29-30?

No one hates his body, but feeds/cares for it, like Christ does the Church, His members.

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Husband/wife are ‘glued’ together; become one flesh. As close as it gets to Christ/church!

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This is a profound (Great) Mystery! Husband/wife is like Christ/Church. Permanent!

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Every husband should love his wife and the wife must respect her husband. Perfect...!

Now, about those children...6:1-4

What are children commanded? 6:1-3; Lev.19:3; Ex.20:12; Deut.27:16; Prov.20:20

Obey your parents in the Lord. Honor your father and mother; that you may live long!

And finally, how are fathers to treat their children? 6:4; Deut.6:7; Ps.71:17-18, 78:4-7

Don't “provoke to wrath” your children! Bring them up in the instruction of the Lord.