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What is the command to husbands? **5:25, 28; Gen.2:24; Col.3:19; IPet.3:7**

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What else does Christ do for His bride, the Church? **5:26** Husbands? **Jn.17:17-19; IPet.1:23**

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How does this apply to husbands? **5:28, 31, 33; Gen.2:21-24; ICor.13:5**

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And why does Christ nourish/cherish the Church? **5:30, 1:23; Rom.12:5; ICor.12:12-27**

What is the command based on the members of His body? **5:31; Gen.2:24; Mk.10:7-8**

And what is the summary truth here? **5:32, 6:19; Col.2:2; ITim.3:16; Rev.19:7-8**

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Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her!

What kind of 'standard' is this? **Gal.1:4, 2:20; IPet.1:18-21; Rev.1:5**

'as Christ loved the Church' is the highest standard possible! Willing to die for his wife!

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He sanctifies her, by washing of water with the Word. The Word of God is central...

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To present the Church to Himself, splendid, no spot, no wrinkles, Holy, no blemishes!!

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And why does Christ nourish/cherish the Church? **5:30, 1:23; Rom.12:5; ICor.12:12-27**

Because we are members of His body! So He cares for His body, the Church, His bride!

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The husband-wife relationship is a profound mystery! It refers to Christ and the Church!!

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