

## The Biblical Principles of Submission

### **I. What is submission?**

A. Submission, simply put, is to be under obedience and/or subjection to or under someone.

B. Submission is NOT...

Since submission begins with God, anything that goes against your conscience and/or an explicit command of God- you are in no way obligated to submit to those things.

Example: Ananias & Saphirra (Acts 5:1-10)

Peter & John before the Sanhedrin ( Acts 4:15-19)

### **II. Who has been called to submission?**

A. Everyone! Ephesians 6:1, Ephesians 5:21, Hebrews 13:17, Romans 13:1

1. Romans 13:1 - authority is established by God

- He who rebels against authority rebels against the Lord.

- Insubordination can yield consequences and hinders our faith.

There is a covering/ protection associated with submission.

- Notice the “why” in submission is rooted in love.

**“He/She is no push-over who answers the call of submission, because love is stronger than the grave!”**

### **III. Submission began and was trespassed in the garden.**

Genesis 2:16-17- God gave the command (1st order of submission)

Genesis 3:1-6 - There will constantly be evil influences tempting our call to submit.

Genesis 3:13-19- We see the consequences of insubordination.

### **IV. The benefits of Submission...(Romans 13:5)**

A. A clear conscience

B. Leaves us under divine protection/covering

C. Allows us to freely walk in faith and authority

D. It validates a mature love for God and trust in Him.

“Submission is one of the strongest displays of trust in God” (Philippians 2:8)

### **V. The importance of submission in marriage...**

A. It honors the Lord (Colossians 3:18)

B. It honors God’s established headship (Ephesians 5:24)

C. It sets you apart! ( vs. 25-27)

D. It makes you useful for the Lord (1Peter 3:1-5)

E. It makes you divinely attractive, ladies! (1Peter 3:3-5)

F. It prepares you for creating lasting legacy! (1 Peter 3:6)

**IV. The Submitted wife...the LEGACY maker!**

- A. By allowing your heart to yield to God's will of submission in marriage, you can...
  1. Break strongholds of divorce
  2. Break patterns of infidelity
  3. Save an unbelieving husband
  4. Create a peaceable and stable environment for your home and children
  5. Steer your children in a godly perspective for marriage
  6. Reap earthly and eternal benefits