

The Four-Sided Fortress of a Husband's Love

1 Peter 3:7



SUMMARY OF TODAY'S MESSAGE

If life is to be *rock solid*, then family relationships—especially marriage—must be rock solid. No wonder Peter speaks to husbands after addressing wives. In his directive toward submission, he addresses citizens (and not government officials); he addresses servants (and not their masters).

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But when it comes to the home, he addresses *both wives and husbands*. Let's consider how a husband's love can make a woman feel firmly secure.

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1. Submission is Mutual ("*Husbands, likewise...*")

Likewise—husbands don't submit in the same way wives submit, but there is a mutual level of submission

Submit is implied from verse 21 and continues to be implied in verse 25, 6:1, and 6:5 (for wives, husbands, children, and servants)

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Ephesians 5:25

There is no greater act of submission than the
willingness to die for another person

Jesus submitted to the will of the Father and to the
need of mankind by dying on the cross

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"When grace changes the heart, submission out of fear
changes to submission out of love"

William Hendriksen