

Biblical Submission, Pt 3

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[0:00] 1 Peter chapter 2 to begin. We started a study two Sundays ago on submission, showing you from the Bible that this is God's will for his children! is to be in subjection to one to another.

But there's, I don't want to call levels of this, but there's definitely different categories of this. We can say that firmly. And it's an expectation of God is that you and I are under subjection, that we are not lifted up or exalted, that we know our place.

And that we're content to dwell in that place and just to serve the Lord in that place. Many of the times that we looked at these categories, several of them are pointing back to God, pointing back to God saying, yeah, wives, you submit to your husbands, but it's as unto the Lord, servants to your masters, as unto the Lord.

And so in all these cases, it's not really about who it is that we're under and pleasing them, but it's being a pleasure to God. And so God expects this, then we need to understand this, and at least as much as we can, and then obey it.

So in 1 Peter 2, the first category was God, and the second category was the government, and we covered those both. Now let's, this one, the third one we got into last Sunday, was having to do with, the application was with your boss, or employer, or supervisor, or whoever that would be in your life.

[1:22] The literal teaching here is for servants and masters, and kind of made comment last Sunday on how tricky that can be in trying to apply that to employees, employers in America, in this day we live in, with all the rights and the unions and all of that.

But nevertheless, let's read the passage again. 1 Peter 2 verse 18, Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward, for this is thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God, notice that, that's the important thing, endure grief, suffering wrongfully, for what glory is it, if when ye be buffeted for your faults, you take it patiently, but if when ye do well and suffer for it, you take it patiently, this is acceptable with God, and then Jesus Christ being the ultimate example of suffering innocently and taking it.

Now we looked at the most important thing, I think, last Sunday, to begin this section, or this category of submission, is that in 1 Timothy 6, in Titus chapter 2, in both cases, the believing servant, was to be in subjection to the master, because of their testimony, in front of their master, or to the other servants, or to the, we would say, to the workforce, to the world, and the statements are, that the name of God, be not blasphemed, and that the doctrine of God, be not blasphemed, and so the teaching is that, in your workplace, you're an ambassador, for the Christian faith, to the lost world, and for some, that's the only Bible, they'll ever see with their eyes, that's the only Christian life, that they'll ever observe, is yours, and that may not, sit well with you, to think that, oh, so, I have to, yeah, actually, God placed you, in the place that you are, to be a light for him, and you do have a responsibility, and if it means, that you're in subjection, when no one else is, then that's what you do, and it's not a good look, if the born again Christian, is the one that's showing up late, or the least faithful, in the company, or the one that's griping, or giving the boss a problem, and fits, and always complaining, like that's not a good look, on you, or on the Lord Jesus Christ, but rather, it should be your honesty, and your integrity, and your faithfulness, and your humility, and all these character traits, that the Lord puts in you, that should be seen, now let's go to,

Colossians chapter three, and we'll, we'll wrap this category up, this morning, your testimony, is a, one of the most important, and valuable things, that you possess, and you can, use it, for the glory of God, or you can abuse it, and, it never do anything for you, or for the Lord, and so a workplace, is one that all of us, can exercise, our Christian testimony, all right, now Colossians three, a little bit more of the same, and we're going to be in, verses 22 through 24, let's read these three together, Colossians 3, 22, servants obey in all things, your masters, according to the flesh, not with eye

service, as men pleasers, but in singleness of heart, fearing God, and whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men, there's that thought again, knowing that of the Lord, ye shall receive the reward, of the inheritance, for ye serve the Lord Christ, so two things quickly here, Colossians three, you could also, if you need to mark down, Ephesians six, that's going to be, very similar wording, to Colossians three, you'll find another, Paul, he deals with this a lot, I gave you a Peter, but then also, two places last week, in the appalling epistles, and two more this week, he gives some additional insights, into what we'll just call, our work relationships, or to this employee employer thing, number one, is in verse 22, your subjection, and your obedience, at work, is to be consistent, it's not to be, just when the boss is around, it's not just to be, when other people, are aware of your production levels, and showing off for them, or with any kind of eye service, but the thought is, that the Lord is watching me, and he's my boss, and I serve the Lord Christ, and so you do what you do, not to be a pleasure, to anybody else in your world, but the Lord Jesus Christ, put him first, and do what's right, and then you probably will catch the eyes, of some other people, and so be it, and then you can say, to God be the glory, and then you can say, well praise the Lord, well, and if they say, you're such a great employee, well, you can somehow deflect that, back to Jesus Christ, and let your testimony, again, be something that speaks for you, your performance on the job, is to be a pleasure to God, that saved you, the God that gave you that job, and then there's another one, look at verse 23, and he says, whatsoever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, another very common, and similar thought there, your subjection, and your obedience, at work, it's displayed in your work ethic, in your effort, it says heartily, and it's hard to do something heartily, when you don't want to do it, when you don't want to be there, when you're sick of the environment, or when you don't care about, what you're doing, it's hard to do it heartily, when the people around you, aren't doing anything heartily, when they're taking half an hour breaks, and 45 minute disappear, where do they go, while you're working, working, working,

[7 : 00] I know how that goes, and it can be hard for you, to stay focused, and to put the effort forth, but the command is for you, to do it, to do it heartily, as to the Lord, as to the Lord, and if God doesn't leave your side, if he doesn't leave your soul, and he's still present with you, while you're on the job, then keep serving him, and doing your best for him, look unto Jesus, the author and finisher, not to the employer, walk with the Lord Jesus Christ, not with the co-workers, I think you'll find fulfillment, and satisfaction, in knowing that you're doing, what you're doing, heartily to the Lord, and let the rest of it, just fall into its place, I can remember, one of the first, when I moved to Pensacola, Florida, to go to Bible school, one of the first jobs, that I got, was out on the naval, no it wasn't the air base, it was a different, might have been, Eglin Air Force Base, if I recall, and this was, I was pretty new, and so there was a man, in the company, that worked in the company, and the only reason, that all the employees said, the only reason, he has a job here, is because he served, in the military, with the boss, back in the day, so the boss, is going to have his back, until the day he retires, and he knows it, and I didn't even know this guy, until I, you know, got stuck with him, working one day, and found out, he doesn't give a rip, about anything, like he'll just, be as lazy, and careless, as he wants to be, because he has job security, until the day he dies, and nobody can say, a bad thing against him, his name was Johnny, and he was twice my age, and we got stuck out, on this spot, we had to dig a ditch, and there was, some underground piping, that needed to be addressed, and rerouted, so we had to dig it up, and it would probably, about four feet deep, and this sandy soil, and it got heavier, the deeper we got, and so as we're digging,

I'm not kidding you, and I'm not trying, to make it sound like, I'm the ultimate worker, I'm not at all, but compared to this guy, I'm probably 80%, to his 20%, and it's not because, he's old, it's just because, he don't care, he absolutely, his paycheck's coming, no matter if he, did put that shovel, into dirt or not, and so I'm waist deep, in this hole, and throwing some dirt up, and Johnny's just kind of, standing there, with his shovel, and he's doing, you know, he's talking, he's doing this, and the supervisor guy, the project manager, showed up, and he came by, and he's like, how's it going, and I'm wore out, like I remember, this is like this, I'm just starting this job, and I don't know, all these guys, and I'm trying to, you know, show my value, to the whatever, and Johnny's just, you know, he's like, alright, how's it going, alright, that's just all he said, he said it all the time, and I'm down there, in the ditch, just drenched in sweat, and looking up at him, like, like you see, what's going on here, right, like you know, and he just leaves, and I just remember, that feeling of just like, I felt like I'm getting, tested, you know, the first week of work, or something, but there's something, in my mind, a verse of scripture, that came to mind, that helped me with this, and it was, where Paul

says, I think it was to the church, in Corinth, he says that I'll gladly spend, and be spent, and I remember thinking that, like, I'll just spend, and be spent, in this whole, just, just spend all my energy, expend it all, in this job, for the Lord, because he brought me down here, to Florida, to this Bible school, and gave me this, and so, like, it all just kind of, it would have been a, you know, frustrated, and cuss somebody out situation, just let it go, and just turned my focus, onto the Lord, and thought, and just, just dig this hole, for his glory, and whatever happens, happens, nobody cares, who cares, if the supervisor, doesn't see Johnny, working or not, and it helped me, I don't know, if that's going to help you, or if you're ever, in those situations, but you don't want us, to make your, your employee, employee relationship, your subjection, based on whether he's looking, the eye service, that's not going to work, and you don't want it to do, or you want it to be, heartily as to the Lord, and not unto men, and so, your relationship with the Lord, is crucial, to maintaining, a good work ethic, because you'll get tested, you'll absolutely get put in spots, you don't want to be in, and your attitude will show it, unless you can keep your head, above water, by walking with the Lord,

Jesus Christ, walking in the spirit, it can make those bad situations, manageable, and it can make the good times, glorious as well, so enough on that, let's look at our fourth category, come back to first Peter, chapter three now, our fourth category, of subjection, we've already kind of, given you the outline of this, from the beginning, and so now we're up on number four, and this one, comes into another, relationship, this one, the marital relationship, and the command, is repeated in the word of God, for the wives, to be in subjection, to the husbands, so let's see this, in first Peter chapter three, verse one, likewise ye wives, be in subjection, to your own husbands, that if any obey not the word, they also may without the word, be won, by the conversation, of the wives, while they behold, your chaste conversation, coupled with fear, he goes on from there, now I want you to understand, this is not an isolated mention, at all, and we're going to run, through some of the other passages, just to put them out there, so you see them, and understand they're here, in the Bible, the isolated thought, is just like, okay wives should be in subjection, to their husbands, in case they're lost, they can see their testimony, and then receive Christ, as their savior, that's a great idea, but that's just one isolated thought, and that's not the way, this goes in the Bible, this is actually, this is God's structure, for the marriage relationship, so let's understand this, let's look at the scripture, we'll just run through them, go back to 1 Corinthians chapter 11,

I'm going to take you, to four passages, in the Pauline epistles, we'll just read them, make maybe minimal comments, and then, give you something to consider, about this teaching, so 1 Corinthians chapter 11, we'll begin here, in verse number 3, the apostle Paul says, but I would have you know, I want you to know this, that the head of every man, is Christ, and the head of the woman, is the man, and the head of Christ, is God, in verse number 9, he says that, neither was the man created, for the woman, but the woman, for the man, and so two weeks ago, we started in Genesis 1, and Genesis 2, and 3, and noticed some things, about that, that first relationship, and how something, got out of order quickly, and then how God, had to set the record straight, when he pronounced, the curses upon the serpent, upon the soil, and then he addressed the woman, and he said to her, that your desire, is going to be to your husband, and he will, he shall rule over thee, and I didn't spell, that out earlier, at least in the Bible, it wasn't spelled out, but now it is, because she messed up, and went out from underneath, the authority, of her husband, made a massive mistake, and he ended up, following her, now God says, clearly, no he is going to be in charge, he's the boss, you are in subjection, to him, and so here it is, that the man, is the head, of the woman, now I know,

[14 : 31] I already taught you this, when we went through Ephesians, some probably years ago now, that there's a, there's an order to this, and I put it on the screen, I don't know if you remember, any of that, I might even give you, I don't know if I gave you, a handout or not for that, but it showed that God, that God is the head of Christ, Christ is subject, to his father, in all things, and then, Christ is the head, of the man, the man is to be, in subject to Christ, in all things, and the same way then, the woman is to be, in subject to the man, who is subject to Christ, who is subject to God, and when one person, gets out of line, if the man, gets out of line, how is the woman, going to be, underneath her savior, Jesus Christ, and subject to him, when her husband, her head, is outside of that, if she follows him, she's not going to be, under Christ, now I'm not going to go back, through that entire thing, but there's a lot of scripture, to that, let's go to Ephesians chapter 5, this is the place, where we probably, where we probably, jumped into that, off of there, Ephesians chapter 5, if the woman, steps out, of her, subjection to her man, her head, who is under Christ, how can she be, right with God, if she's not going to, stay underneath, her subjection either, the thing works, if you keep it, in

the right order, and I'll give you, some more thoughts, on that in a minute here, so look at Ephesians 5, and the verses here now, are verse 22 through 24,

Ephesians 5, 22, wives, submit yourselves, unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord, for the husband, is the head of the wife, even as Christ, is the head of the church, and he's the savior, of the body, therefore as the church, is subject unto Christ, so let the wives, be to their own husbands, in everything, so there it is again, number two, technically number three, the scripture's not done, look at chapter three, of Colossians, Colossians 3, let's see it one more time, and then we'll go to Titus, and this is one quick verse, verse 18, Titus 3, 18, Titus 3, 18, wives, submit yourselves, unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord, fit in the Lord, does not mean, only in spiritual things, fit in the Lord, he's saying, because, because it's fit in the Lord, because it's the right thing to do, in your, in the order that God has created, for the home, and for the marriage relationship, submit yourselves, unto your own husbands, it's the proper order, of God's design, for the home, let's catch Titus now, chapter two, this is the last passage, on all of these, then you can take a breath, Titus chapter two, and, early in this chapter, verses three, and four, and five, Titus two, verse three, the aged women, likewise, that they, in behavior, as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things, that they may teach, the young women, to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient, to their own husbands, that the word of God, be not blasphemed, and so there, that testimony comes in, very strong in that relationship, and in the one being, in subjection to the other as well, so now the, the overall concept, is very clear, and it's very simple, this is not a complicated concept, of the one has the authority, over the other, and it falls into an order, it's not just this, just this one thing only, husbands, wives, wives, you submit, submit, submit, but it's, it's in a line, from God to Christ, to the husband, to the man, to the woman, and below that, to the children, and on, and so, this is a part of an order, the concept is very simple, but that doesn't mean, it's always easy to do, and that doesn't mean, that submitting to your own husbands, is always, always is going to feel natural, to you, as a matter of fact, in some ways, it's not going to feel natural, at all, in some ways, in some ways, you're going to want, to take the lead, or you're going to want, to rebel, or you're going to want, it to be your way, because it makes more sense, to you, and that's just, that's just, personality, that's just, you're a person, ladies, and he's a person, and put two people together, and they don't, don't always work, don't always get along, all the time, everybody in here, knows exactly, what I'm talking about, every married couple, in here knows that, and that's why, the command though, is so often repeated, in the word of God, the Bible hammers, against your flesh, and remind you, as you read through, submit to your own husbands, obedient to your own husbands, submit to your husband, be in subjection, to your husbands, why does it have to, keep on that, if I just showed you, what was it, five passages, where it says it, very explicitly, can you find, I didn't think about this, but I'll bet you, if I thought for a while, I'd come up with a couple, of Bible commands, that we know, and take for granted, but we couldn't put, five perfectly, dead on, clear statements on it, but we know it, we believe it, because it's in there, but this one's there, five sound, strong times, not to mention, other examples of this, in the relationships, in the scripture, so the concept's easy, but that doesn't mean, it's always easy to fulfill, and that's likely, why it shows up, so many times, the Bible exposes, the things that need, to be exposed, wives, about your heart, it's going to keep, after that thing, so you have to put down, your flesh, and you have to submit, to the word of God, now let me, let me bring something here, a thought out, that I want you to consider, I want to offer you, a different way, of looking at this, instead of just, I have to submit to him, I have to submit to him, the Bible says so, instead of just hearing it, as a command, I want to give you, an alternate look, a biblical concept, that I think might help you, to fulfill this, and to obey this, and to be right with God, in your marriage relationship, when it comes to these things, beyond just it being commanded, there's another way, to look at it, and it may not address, every scenario, that you come up, you know, against in your life, in your marriage, but it's an angle, that can help you submit, to the command, to submit, and so the thought, is that when God created, this relationship, this order, of the husband, and the wife, he did not create it, to suppress the woman, and he did not create, this system or order, to hold back the wives, from living a fulfilled life, no Adam, we need to keep her down,

I just want you, to have a good time, that's not God's intention, or God's vision, what God created, the Bible says, was good, what God did, with the man, and with the woman, and with all of it, was good, so in that light, how dare anybody, accuse God, of doing anything, less than good, when he

created the man, and the woman, to be a help, for the man, what God's order, his plan, his way, it's always right, so believe that, it's always good, if God designed something, it's good, it's right, it works, if we get under it, and follow it, just as the husbands, have a role, so the wives, have a role, and women, are gifted by God, and fitted, by God, for their role, if the world's telling you, you need to challenge him, and be better than him, and be equal to him, that's against, what God designed, and fitted, that will not work, that will not bring, peace to you, you may feel like, there I showed him, but you're not going, to be content, or happy, or have peace, inside of you, not until you submit, to what God designed, and fitted you to be, when these engineers, design anything, a car,

[22 : 56] Legos, anything, certain parts, have a place, and if they're, in the right place, the thing will work, as it's designed, it will function properly, when one decides, or tries, you try to, put an engine together, and you put the wrong thing, it's not going to work, you may say, but it looks cool there, but it doesn't work, it's not going to run, and you want your marriage, to run smoothly, and to operate, with peace, and harmony, and there to be unity, then each person, is going to have to, fulfill their role, the way God gave it to them, God designed, these roles, from the beginning, and you can have faith, that your father, makes no mistakes, when he orders, and designs something, and I think ladies, wives, you can exercise, faith, in what God established, for you, by submitting, in the home, because you believe, that that's what's right, to do, because the Bible, says that, and it's not just a command, but it's right, and it's best, for this relationship, and for this family, what is not best, for any family, or relationship, is competing authorities, that just doesn't work, it's not best, for a woman, to dominate her husband, or to disobey her husband, and I know, you can let your mind, say well what if he, what if he,

I know there's all of that, I know, I'm not just trying, to blanket everything, with just obey, but let me charge, the wives, from the word of God, submit to your own husbands, as unto the Lord, and you can do so, by believing, that this is what's right, in God's eyes, it is right, for the order of the home, and there is satisfaction, there is fulfillment, in your spirit, when you choose, to do what God said, is right, amen, now I'm going to show you, something that's, possible, that you don't want, to be part of, look at Isaiah 14, still considering, this kind of, an alternate view, of more than just, the Bible commands you to, but that this is what works, this is what's right, and you're going to benefit, from this, if you do it right, your relationship, with God will flourish, and likely, your relationship, with your spouse, will too, if your desire, is to please the Lord, as unto the Lord, it says, now Isaiah 14, here is a passage, on Lucifer, and on what was in his heart, the rebellion, and the pride in his heart, let's look at this, because he was to be, in subjection to the Lord, and he decided, no I'm not, verse number 12, how art thou, fallen from heaven,

O Lucifer, son of the morning, how art thou, cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations, for thou hast said, in thine heart, so here's the testimony, of Lucifer, I will ascend, that's exalting himself, into heaven, I will exalt my throne, above the stars of God, I will also, I will sit also, upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north, I will ascend above the heights, of the clouds, I will be like the most high, I will be like him, either that makes him, equals, or his ascension, above the stars of God, or what did he say there, about the throne of God, exalt my throne, above the stars of God, this being, wants to elevate himself, the Bible says, in Ezekiel, he was created, with beauty, he was created, with brightness, he was perfect, in all of his ways, God created this being, powerful, glorious, gifted, majestic, it was a great creation, what God did was good, it was very good, but this being,

Lucifer, was not satisfied, with his position, and he desired more, the position, of his authority, he said, no, I should have that, I want that, and he attempted, to take it, and the result, of his move, was chaos, disorder, judgment, from God, it brought about, confusion, but listen to this one, wives, other people, followed him, other beings, followed with him, he led them astray, when he sought, to exalt his position, above what it ought, to have been, now I realize, that this lesson, from this thought here, applies beyond, just husbands, and wives, I get it, it's not just, Lucifer, you bunch of Lucifer, and I'm not attacking, you women, like men can do, the same thing, it applies far beyond, that relationship, but let's apply it, to this relationship, wives, the charge, is to be satisfied, satisfied, to fulfill, the role, that God has, given to you, in this life, to see it, as good, by the hand of God, you have to, exercise faith, to do that, you have to believe, that the Lord, put me in this role, that I'm created, for this role, that he designed it, he did not design me, for another role, therefore, I'm going to do, the best I can, at this one, to the glory of God, your rebellion, though, your rebellion, from that role, can lead others, astray, from God's order, particularly, the children, the daughters, or

even other wives, or friends of yours, you can poison, their minds, with your rebellion, and, ladies, you'll be tested, in this situation, wives, you'll be, you'll absolutely be tested, situations will arise, in your marital relationship, and you'll be tested, will I submit, to God's order, and obey him, and keep my place, or will I challenge, his authority, and seek to do it, my way, and push back, when you're challenged, and when you, when these situations arise, this is when you ladies, need to put your flesh down, and shut your mouth, that's when it needs to happen, when it comes up, you need to recognize,

[29 : 32] I'm tempted here, to rebel, I'm being tempted here, I'm frustrated, this isn't working for me, and you're going to be tempted, to rise up, and to exalt yourself, into a place, you shouldn't be, that doesn't mean, that the husband's right, that doesn't mean, that he's perfect, or he gets a pass, but we're dealing, with subjection here, and the husband, is never told, to be in subjection, to his wife, he's told to love her, he's told to give honor, to her, as under a weaker vessel, he has a role as well, and when he doesn't, fulfill his role, it puts more strain, on her to fulfill her, the thing is like, hand in glove, it should work, it will work, if you both do right, but how easy, is it for the one, to do wrong, and that puts all the pressure, on the other one, to do right, and that's not easy, but that's where, you're going to have, to trust the Lord, I want to caution you, as well, wives, in this, in this whole, atmosphere, of submission, is to remember, that this submission, is to be as, unto the Lord, you would not, go before, the throne of God, before the holiness, of God, in his glory, you would not, stand in front of him, and grit your teeth, and say, fine,

I'll do it your way, because that's what, you said is right, I'm supposed to submit, here I am, submitting, hope you're happy, you would never, go before the throne, of God, and talk like that, so don't talk like that, to your husband, when you're submitting, to him, do it as unto the Lord, I didn't say, kiss his feet, and worship him, you could be frustrated, and he can know, you're frustrated, and that can be, but don't push so hard, that something happens, because your role, is to submit, and if you'll do it, God will bless it, God will bless his word, he'll see your heart, he'll see the struggle, with the new man, and the old man, and let it be, the hidden man of the heart, let it be the one, that has a meek, and quiet spirit, that adorns you, God will bless that, and if you have a husband, that walks all over that, then let God judge him, you pray for him, and you pray, the Lord's will be done, but you be innocent, and you be right, you know why, because you don't have to answer, to God, for the mistakes, of your husband, you'll never have to answer, to God, for what he does wrong, but you will, absolutely stand, at the judgment seat, of Christ, and answer, for what you know, is in this book, wives, be in subjection, to your own husbands, submit yourselves, as unto the Lord, I know some of this stuff, it sounds like, I'm just being hard, on the wives, so what, the Bible says, what it says, and so let's be obedient, to it, I just got done, with the government, and with the employer, and now here's, the next category, you got to cover it, so, I don't, I hope I'm not being, more aggressive here, than I was in the other ones, if I am, maybe it's because, I'm a man, it's in me too, you know what, the Bible, let's go, let's finish with this, go back to Ephesians, I'm not going to get, to the next category, today, so, we'll finish with this, stop a little early, Ephesians chapter 5, this verse here, is a real, blessing, and curse, to me, at the same time, it hurts, and it helps, Ephesians 5, I can't tell you, how many times, the Lord has put this one, right into my heart, we already read it, so, so, we read 24, therefore, as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands, and everything, and then he says, husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it, and so, man, there's times where I feel like, well, my wife's not being subjection to me, or she said something, she shouldn't have said, or, or I'll think we got into some argument, and I'm the one that's right, and the Lord says, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it, and it's like the Lord just flips the relationship around, and says, what you're feeling toward her, how many times have I felt that about you, son, how many times have you rebelled against me, how many times have you spoken back to me, how many times have you ignored me, how many times did you just go do it, what you wanted to do, and the Lord's, and I'm telling you, that thing smites my heart, and I think, Christ, if you've forgiven me, and if you've forgiven me, and if you've forgiven me, and forgiven me, and just, it just builds up so high to heaven, how could I possibly hold something against, the wife that he's given me, even if I think she's wrong, and I change my mind, and I think I'm supposed to be forgiving, as Christ was to me, and it changes how I deal with her, or how I think about her, what I say, or what I don't say, because the Lord says, if I reacted the way you want to react, if I treated you for your lack of submission to me, we wouldn't be having a conversation right now, and so

that's something that helps me, and I hope it will help you too, men, so wives, you have a role, and so do the husbands, and when your husband doesn't fulfill his role, and there's all these other thoughts, I know there's abuse, and there's infidelity, and there's things that come up in this, and where do, I think all of that, you probably have to take case by case, depending on the gravity, or the heart, or the attitude, all the things have to be dealt with, and brought out into the open, so that's something we can't really cover in detail, to try to discuss, what if, what if, what if, he, this, or that, but there is something to that thing, where the husbands have to just, treat them the way Jesus Christ treats him, and it should make a difference in the relationship, there's more to say, but that's, I think we're good for that, so let's stop right there, take a few extra minutes, enjoy some fellowship, one with another, and come back at the top of the hour.