

Wisdom in Submission|Ephesians 5:22

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[0 : 0 0] Hallelujah. We thank God you've tuned into this message by David Entry at Caris Church.! No hand can help you with the fulfillment of your destiny, but the Word of God. May God's hand align you further into your destiny through this Word.

Thank you, Jesus. Ephesians chapter 5. Yeah, 21. Be filled with the Spirit, singing, speaking to yourself, in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord, giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting.

So these are all expressions and the outflow of when one becomes filled with the Spirit.

When we become filled with the Spirit, the outflow of being filled with the Spirit is some of the things we have just seen.

speaking in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, and then singing and making melody, giving of thanks and submitting to one another.

[1 : 2 5] So, the structure of Ephesians is Ephesians chapter 1 to 3 deals with the doctrine that guarantees our salvation.

Ephesians chapter 3 to chapter 6 deals with the responsibilities that come with embracing the doctrine. So, the fact that you are saved means that there is a responsibility for you to engage in.

Do you understand that? So, now when it comes to chapter 3, it starts with, sorry, chapter 4. So, from chapter 4 to chapter 6, the last three chapters.

First three chapters are about doctrine. Last three chapters are about duty. Okay. Okay. Okay. So, first three chapters are about justification. Last three chapters are about sanctification.

Now, when it comes to the last three chapters, it starts with, I charge you as a prisoner of Christ to live life, a certain life. Then it begins to go down and talk about how we should, the church life, there should be unity.

[2 : 4 0] Verse 3, chapter 4, verse 3. Endeavor to keep the bond of the Spirit through, the bond of the, through peace, the bond of the Spirit through peace.

Then it says there's one Father, there's one Lord, one baptism, one faith, one hope, seven ones, one Father and all. Then verse 7 says to every one of us, giving all that.

Then it speaks about the gifts, the measure of Christ's gifts. Then it speaks about the gifts. He gave apostles, evangelists, prophets, apostles, prophet, evangelists, teachers, and pastors for the equipping of the church so that we, verse 13, so we all come to the unity of faith, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, that you no longer be tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine.

You no longer be infants tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine. But then he spoke about how we will be effectual, effective by what every joint supplies. So you see, he was teaching our unity is also supposed to be producing the growth of the body.

Our oneness and our unity, our unity guarantees our maturity. And the unity is the unity of the Spirit which must be maintained by the bond of peace. So that bond of peace that maintains the unity produces maturity.

[4 : 01] In verse 13, we come to the unity of faith. Verse 3 talks about the unity of the Spirit. Verse 13 talks about unity of faith. So faith is a matter of time.

As you begin to know more, learn more, teach more, practice. Now, when you mature, when we come to a certain stage in our faith work, it also translates in our usefulness to the brethren.

You know, so that if you are very infantile, you are not able to live the full spectrum of the faith life.

But when you are infantile, you are tossed to and fro. But when we come to unity of faith, we are all stable. Then it produces the growth of the body which is joined to the head, who is Christ.

So this is what he spent chapter 4 talking about. Then chapter 5, he continues to warn us that we should walk, as children, we should walk, imitate God.

[5 : 06] Then he tells us that certain things shouldn't be part of our lives. Certain behavior, sort of behavior. But when we are in church, I know you used to like girls. But when we are in church, you will still feel for girls.

But please, don't be going around girls. We have to be mindful of bringing godless lifestyle and godless ideals and godless approach to life.

Even if you like a girl, for goodness sake, be decent. So it says that in our church life, there is a certain way. So in chapter 5, it talks about there shouldn't be fornication.

There shouldn't be envy, you know, covetousness, fornication, filthy talk or filthy jesting. There shouldn't be coarse jokes. So he's began to talk about that.

Watch, this is very important. So you see, when he starts the duty of Christian life, he begins to talk about our maturity in faith, our service to the saints that causes the growth of the church.

[6 : 09] Then, besides that, our behavior in the church. Our attitude towards other saints. Some things that shouldn't be named amongst us.

Some things that shouldn't be traced to us. Do you understand? In the church. You are owing several people in the church. You owe this person 700 pounds.

There are some people who don't have character. They are still in church, but they don't have character. And they don't intend to have it. So he comes to decent church relationships.

In chapter 5. And one of the big why it deals with is fornication. So that's why the Bible, God knows that it can happen amongst us.

So he talks to us about it. So we can work. You have feelings for people in church. If you don't, there's something wrong with you. You don't make yourself have a crash.

[7 : 15] It just happens. So if it just happens, ignore it and keep going. Don't make decisions based on that. Or maybe you can make decisions to move you far from.

Because you are not safe. Some of us, our resistance is very weak. Pornography takes away your resistance to sexual temptations. So it's like they put creptonite on your neck.

You can't resist. That's pornography. It's a very dangerous thing. It erodes your breaks. Your sexual breaks. And it takes your confidence in the Lord away.

You can't walk by faith pornographically. Am I reasoning with somebody? I'm not saying you are a bad person.

Just that you have this proclivity. And it's weakening. Because pornography can be so tantalizing. And it's the biggest addiction the West is dealing with now.

[8 : 18] Pornography is ruining many lives. Yours haven't gotten to a level, so you think you are fine. Fight your way out. Proverbs 6.5. Deliver thyself like a roe from the hunter.

The hunter has caught you. Fight. You know when you watch Safari, the lion can catch, and an animal is fighting himself out. Something has caught you. You have to deliver yourself, my brother.

Deliver. I don't know who I'm prophesying to. Deliver yourself. So when it comes to feelings for people, it's actually natural. It's like you have eaten.

You are fasting. And you pass by buying a Chinese restaurant. You can smell it. When you go and sit there, you order spaghetti. You order fried rice. Egg fried rice. Special fried rice.

Pork fried rice. You order noodles. You order spring rolls. Chicken spring rolls. You order dim sum. You order crispy, aromatic, pork belly, sweet and sour pork, sweet and sour chicken.

[9 : 19] You order everything. Because that's why it's not good to negotiate on an empty stomach. Because when you are hungry, there's a vulnerability that's growing.

When you are in need, you are actually vulnerable. So you have to be careful the major decisions you make in your state of vulnerability. When your boyfriend breaks your heart, that's not when you fall in love with another person.

You just exited a relationship. Don't jump into one because you are not okay. You are not okay. Your feelings will cloud your judgment. So you will end up with somebody you are actually not compatible with.

So it's very important that you know the human nature. And you must know yourself. And protect yourself from yourself.

So you can be in church. And yet, you are struggling. With an attitude, character issue. Some of us have such thinking character. Every time you have to be fighting with somebody.

[10 : 24] That's what makes you happy. Every time you don't talk to this one. Don't fight to. Please, we are in church. So some things must be put away.

So that's what Ephesians is talking about. It's not just about doctrine that has brought us in. But how to behave in what you have been brought into. So, in chapter 5, it talks about the things we should walk away from.

Because we are imitators of God. You are not left on your own to do it. God is your strength and your helper. So you rely on God. Then it takes us to how we shouldn't be filled with wine.

Or we should redeem the time. We shouldn't be filled with wine. Or we should be filled with the Holy Spirit. And know how to speak. This is church language. Then after church relationship.

Verse 20, chapter, verse 21. Look at where it goes to. Verse 22. It goes into marital relationship. Look at how it starts.

[11 : 29] Wives. If the marriage will really work. It depends. A lot depends on a wife. So it's a less touch with the wives. And go to the bigger issues.

Bigger problems in marriage. Is the man. But it starts with the wife. So it says. Marriage. Let's talk about marriage.

Look. After church relationships. The most important one. Is marriage. Is family. Is family. But in the family. It starts with the marriage.

Healthy families. Starts with healthy marriages. So some of you. There's no way you can have a healthy family. Because you are not ready for a good marriage. The way you are carrying your life.

And sleeping with everybody. And behaving this. And doing this. Talking. In something. You are not ready for a good marriage. Because you can't bridle yourself. That means. Your family. Your future family life.

[12 : 26] Will be in shambles. One day your children will be kissing you. I hate you mom. When a family is broken down. That's what you. Eventually find.

The children are fighting. The parents. Most of it. Is the parents. Who. Should take responsibility. Of what investment. They made.

In the family life. Before the family started. But for most of the time. A lot of parents. We might be familiar. Familiar with. Didn't know better.

But you. You. Don't have an excuse. Because you have tasted. Of the good word of the Lord. The oracles of God. Have been committed to you.

So please. You don't have an excuse. To say. My dad was like that. So I'll be like that. The devil is a liar. That is why you have to. You have to. Apply the principles.

[13 : 20] Now. In the days of your youth. That tells you. How much God. Loves you. He stepped in very early. To give you the tools.

To do well. I thought you said. Thank you Jesus. Thank you Jesus. So he says. Wives.

Everybody say wives. Wives. Is this interesting? Most of us. Want to marry. But you are not ready. To be a wife. You are not ready.

To be a. As for me. The way. The way my dad was. With my mom. I don't know. Yes. You are only. A fantastic girlfriend. But listen.

Girlfriends. Are not for life. That's what girlfriend. Is just for fun. Boyfriends. For fun. But unfortunately. The girls in their heart. They think that. The guy.

[14 : 19] Is permanent. Your dreams. Why should he put himself. In a prison. That doesn't have doors. Even a dog.

Will not do that. If there are no. Doors. And windows. He will walk out. The door. For relationship. Is called. Wet lock. Not padlock.

Wet lock. Many. Many. Young. Ladies. You don't have time. To be a wife. Wife.

Being a wife. Is very consuming. Very demanding. Please. You didn't say women. You are only a wife. When you have a husband.

You have a boyfriend. And you are behaving like a wife. You are unwise. You are unwise. You are unwise.

[15 : 22] He's used you. As much as he can. But you see. When you are insecure. And unstable. In your emotions. You think. What you need. Is romance.

You want somebody. Who love me. Girl. You got a problem. Just sort it out. Get yourself. Confident. In Christ. Because else.

No man puts value on you. If you don't start the value on yourself first. No man values a woman who doesn't value herself. So build your self-esteem.

Don't. Your value shouldn't be based on how you look. Based on who you are. You must know who you are. Don't sell yourself cheap. You are scavenging for affection.

From a man who doesn't value you. Wives submit. I know what you are thinking about. What does it mean to submit? It. There is a difference between obey.

[16 : 29] And submit. Daniel. Shadrach. Mezhak. And Abednego. They disobeyed their king. Because the king was making ungodly demands.

Demonic. Evil demands on them. And they said. We will gladly decline to obey you. They disobeyed their king. But they still submitted to his sovereignty. So when they say.

You are going to go. Into them. They say. Okay. Tie us. God has submission. This is your jurisdiction. This is how you operate. I will submit to you. But I will not. I will not obey you.

In your stupid decisions. And requests. So. You are a lady. You are courting. A gentleman who is foolish. And he is saying that.

But you have to submit to me. You have to visit me at 9pm. 10pm. Come. Come. Come. Come and let's. You are saying. You are practicing submission. No.

[17 : 23] That's obedience. That's obedience. Don't obey any man. At the expense of God. But you can submit to someone. Who is. Under whose authority.

You are operating. So if you get up right now. And you are jumping. Jumping. I say. Shh. Please sit down. You have to submit. But if I ask you slap somebody. You have to disobey.

You have to disobey. So. Obedience is different from submission. And the submission. Listen. God's model of good marriage.

Marital life. You want to have good marriage. God created marriage. And if you want to have good marital life. There is a way to get it. And God said.

As a wife. You have to submit. So. I know you are always fighting your mother. Argument. You. You. Some of you don't know. You have already failed.

[18 : 21] With this constant tension. Within you. And your mom. And back and forth. Aguing. I. Sometimes. You may have a point. But you don't know how to submit. You don't know how to submit.

And you don't know. That God is using. Your mother. Maybe mother is too close. Your supervisor. You are talking.

You are talking to a lady. You are. You are. You are. Courting a lady. And every time she's. Agree with her supervisor. She leaves work. And then she walks away. And she lost the job. She did it again with another.

You. You don't know. She's a nice. Christian. Shandalau. Shambalau. But. She. Doesn't have the element of submission. And that's what makes. Marriage work.

She won't submit. She doesn't know how to submit to. A man. Don't go. Say. It's a wrong direction. Don't go there. Doesn't matter how. Lovely she looks.

[19 : 22] Don't go there. It won't work for you. Every time. They say. Well. Let's get to church. Everybody. No one should stand there after church. Let's go. And now she's got. So. I don't know.

I won't listen to it. Pastor. You can tell pastor. I don't care. It's a sign. There's a submission. Oh no. No. I'm telling you. This is why it's like marriage seminar. The Bible covers so many things. I pray someone will learn wisdom.

The reason why many marriages are failing. In our times. And in the West. Is because of Hollywood girls. They think. Oh. They think about romance.

My baby. They didn't even buy me a flower. Sister. I forgot. I forgot.

I forgot. So what would you do? Okay. What would you do? You don't care about me. Really? Is that how you define care? Some people are not birthday or occasional. Occasion people.

- [20 : 22] But. Maybe my revival instinct. And what I've been called for. I have to be slightly queer from party life. Maybe it's part of my makeup. Because of my assignment.
- Doesn't mean when you like party. You are not serious. Says who? Jesus was attending parties. But this sent once. A party you can invite Jesus to come with you.
- Don't attend. Jesus. So. It's important to understand. That some people are not occasion driven. I'm not that way inclined.
- That's why Christmas and all those things. Apart from. I like Easter. Not for the celebration. But for the theology. Some people. Some men. Some women. That's the environment they grew up in.
- So it works. There's nothing wrong with that. But what I'm trying to say is. Hollywood. Has given us. A model. That. You feel inadequate.
- [21 : 22] If you don't meet that standard. And we have moved away from scripture. And our standard value is what. Godless people are telling us. Or people in their falling states. They don't. They don't.
- They don't have to be evil. They don't have to be bad. But they are defining values. That are destroying you. Because you can't meet that standard. You feel inadequate. You feel there's something wrong with you.
- You think. You think you are not beautiful. You. Somebody will pay anything for you. The beauty of a woman. Is not in just her looks. Because. I have discovered.
- By. Empirical evidence. I have. I have concluded. That every woman. Has beauty. Girl.
- Think about who you are. More than how you look. Come. When you look. A certain way. And you attract the men. What they come to.
- [22 : 18] Matters. Than what attracted them. Knowing something. Is being advertised. And you buy it. And you regret it.
- You send it back to Amazon. Amazon. Return. Because it's not as described. Because what you are advertising. You can't deliver.
- So. You think you want a husband. But you are not even a wife material. Husbands.
- Don't. Don't. Don't. Marry girlfriends. They marry wives. So for you to be.
- Is that he who finds. Not a girlfriend. Wives. The secrets. Of an effective woman.
- [23 : 13] Who can. Control a man. Is submission. That's how women. Catch men. Through service. Boaz said.
- Who is that girl? The feminists will tell you. All this crap. They are telling you. A woman is second. No woman. Is second class.
- In fact. Women are first class. If you are looking for second class. Actually it's the men. But first class. Have the way.
- They carry themselves. So much. That they are treated as such. Sometimes the way you dress. Tells your class. I'm not trying to prescribe.
- What you should wear. But carry yourself. Like a princess. You understand what I mean? Do like a man. A woman of dignity. Learn submission.
- [24 : 12] Not from men. Learn it from authority figures. God placed in your life. Starting from home. Most of you women. You are always arguing. And contending with your mother.
- He did argument. He did. For two days. You live with her. You don't talk. Because you are upset. And sometimes she has a point. Every time. Church. Church. Every time. You live in the morning. You come late at night.

You are a woman. There are domestic responsibilities. You are not doing anything now. Is she wrong? She's right. She's listening to her. Because that's what your husband will come and complain about.

Every time. I'm going to church. I have this doing. I'm doing this here. We are going evangelist. We are going. But what about the house? Many husbands can't stand filthy women.

When I talk about filthy women. I'm talking about domestic life. So the biblical role of a wife is submission. It didn't say cooking.

[25 : 12] It never said cleaning. Never said breastfeeding. Sort it out amongst yourself. Between you and your husband. Never said the woman should cook. There's nowhere in the Bible it said woman should cook.

There's nowhere in the Bible it said woman should stay at home and not work. Housewife. There's nowhere in the Bible. But it's clearly in the Bible that woman's major one responsibility to make marriage work is submission.

Which most of us lack. Pursue career. But you've never pursued submission. But you want to have good marriage. Listen. You are deceiving yourself.

Good marriage only comes on the back of submission on the part of the wife. Okay. But Pastor. How about the man? You see. That's a sign of lack of submission. That's a sign.

I'm telling you. That's a clear sign. So now at least. You ask the question. Now you find where you are. You have a problem. Sort yourself out. You have a problem. God is talking to you. Wives submit.

[26 : 15] What has that got to do with her body? It's always somebody's responsibility. But what if? Please. You are trying to tell me you are smarter than God?

God says submit yourself. But what if? What what? What what? What what? Come and pray to him. I need a husband. He won't give you. He won't send his son into your life.

Satan will bring one for you. Because you are questioning God. Sometimes if you prepare yourself as a Christian wife.

To be a Christian wife. You might not even have to pray for a husband. Because God is always looking for who to send his son to. So you have not thought about will he ever regret. And would that be his biggest regret.

That question I can answer you. It's easy to know whether you you'll be a regret. His regret. Listen to your mother. Your mother has been telling you about your character.

[27 : 19] About your attitude. Mothers support. Especially for women. For women. Mothers support it very early. And they keep warning you. They keep warning you.

They keep warning you. Look at the way you can quarrel with your sister. And you won't let go. And your mom will say. I've been telling you. And sometimes your dad will add. If your dad tells you. He's not accusing you.

Because you are not listening to him. So you'll see it. You'll hear accusation. But you don't hear an expression of frustration and concern. Girl what are you doing? You'll hear that.

Because you think he's picking on you. So you'll end up becoming somebody's regret. Because the signs have been showing a long time ago.

Your departmental leaders. Your attitude in church. The way you relate towards actions. When you are in your element. The way you talk. Your friends have been telling you.

[28 : 16] Your sisters have been mentioning it to you. That sometimes just be patient. Those are the things that grow with you. How do you know you'll be submissive?

Look at how you relate to people who are authority. So you are in the ashes. The head of ashes is not as smart as you. But you can submit. There's a difference between submission and obey.

Because submission is the one in charge here. So we say we are doing it. Let's go. It's so simple. But most of us have not developed that. Because you have been independent all your life.

But did you realize that because you are so negative. When the Bible says wife submits. You're asking her about the men.

Because of your negativity. You didn't see the verse before. Didn't you see the verse? Obviously you won't see it. Because nothing is for you. Submitting one to another.

[29 : 12] It's already dead. It's covered. It's covered. Whether marriage or church. It's covered. Men submit to women. Women submit to men. In the fear of God.

It's covered. So what's your problem? So then God must know something for saying. Wives. Submit to your husbands.

And then he made it more complicated. By saying ask unto the Lord. Ask God to help you. To be a godly Christian. Potential Christian wife.

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