

Rock Solid

Foundations for Families: Value, Roles, Servant Hearts

What are the **ROLES** within the family?

KEY: **FULFILL** your role, **SERVE** within your lane,
HONOR other lanes Eph. 5:15-21; 1 Peter 2:13-25

Role of a serving **FATHER / HUSBAND**

What does **SERVANT** leadership look like?

PROVIDING/PROTECTING Gen. 2:15-17; 1 Tim. 5:8

PRESENTING Eph. 5:25-27

PRIZING Eph. 5:28-32

Role of a serving **MOTHER / WIFE**

What does **SERVANT** partnering look like?

HUMILITY Eph. 5:22-24, 32; 1 Peter 3:1-6

HEART training Titus 2:3-5

HARD work 1 Timothy 5:3-16

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Life Group Discussion Questions – August 7, 2022

Ephesians 5:22,23 and 25,26 *“Wives, subject yourselves to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body.” ... “Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word”*

DISCOVER

1. Why does the discussion of roles make us guarded? Should our identity be wrapped up in our roles? If our identity is not in what we do, then where should we look for identity? When we recognize that our identity comes from our relationship with Jesus, then how does that add peace to the call to fulfill biblical roles as men and women?
2. Men: In what ways are you called to submission? Who have you submitted to in the past? Currently? What does servant leadership include? Jesus came to serve. Likewise, how should husbands serve their wives?
3. Women: In what ways are you called to submission? How are you doing at complementing without competing or subverting your biblical role? What does servant partnering include? What can be exciting about this role?

EXPLORE

1. Read Ephesians 5:25-28. Describe the role of the husband based on this scripture. How has Christ loved the church? If men will never measure up to the standard of Christ, then why try? Why is it important to have a standard, for the role of a husband, which Christ has already presented in perfection?
2. Read Ephesians 5:22-24. Is this just an example of a cultural norm at the time of the writing? Our culture is certainly at odds with this passage. What are the pros and cons of our culture's view of women? How have you, men or women, been influenced by our culture on this topic? Women, is this passage hard for you? How has your submission to your husband been a good thing in your marriage?

EXPERIENCE

1. How do you prize your wife? Describe what it would be like to present your wife as holy and blameless before the Lord? What might need to change about your servant leadership for this to be fulfilled? Are you ready to answer to God for where you are leading her? What can you do to encourage her spiritual walk?
2. How does a woman go about developing inward beauty? How does this beauty become visible in the home and beyond? If the husband is not present or falling significantly short of the standard, then how does this change the picture?

PRAY

Pray...God, please reveal ways that we can flourish in biblical roles whether male or female. May our eyes be open to building on your firm foundation and transformation where we fall short. You have said that a cheerful heart is good medicine. Please show us where we can share the joy.

Action... Seek wisdom from scripture and the Holy Spirit about whether you should spend more time in your assigned role and, if needed, less time in telling others about their role.