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13 Sep 26 | Honour God in Marriage | Ephesians 5:21-33 | Graham Blaikie

Groups & Families Discussion Questions

Follow along with the sermon and use these questions to dive a little deeper with your group, with your families at home or for your own personal reflection.

Sermon Notes: Can you identify the main point, the subpoints and application of today's message?

Life Group Questions

1. Conversation Starter: What's the best — or worst — piece of marriage advice you've ever heard?
2. Read Genesis 2:18, 2:23, 3:12 and 3:16 (see also 4:7) and describe what changes and why. How does the dynamic described here still appear in marriage?
3. Read Ephesians 5:18-33. Paul starts with "be filled by the Spirit" (v18), not with rules for husbands and wives. Why that order? What goes wrong when people attempt v22–33 without v18?
4. "Submit to one another" (v21). Alongside Galatians 5:13 and Philippians 2:3–4, what does putting someone else first actually look like in an ordinary week?
5. Headship is not superiority, unquestioned authority, ability, or personality. Which of those misunderstandings have you seen at work? Read v25–29: what does headship cost a husband?
6. "Submit yourselves" (v22) is a wife's own choice; her husband alone is her head; and "everything" never includes disobeying God (Acts 5:29). How do those three qualifiers change how this verse usually lands?
7. Paul calls marriage a display of Christ and the church (v31–32). What are the marriages around you saying about Jesus? What is one change that could help your marriage—or the marriages you support—reflect him more clearly?