



Respect & Love Your Spouse

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Your Marriage _____ Your Relationship with God

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¹In the same way, you wives must accept the authority of your husbands. Then, even if some refuse to obey the Good News, your godly lives will speak to them without any words. They will be won over ²by observing your pure and reverent lives. *1 Peter 3:1-2*

A Husband Demonstrates His Love for Christ

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⁷In the same way, you husbands must give honor to your wives. Treat your wife with understanding as you live together. She may be weaker than you are, but she is your equal partner in God’s gift of new life. Treat her as you should so your prayers will not be hindered. *1 Peter 3:7*

* All Scripture is taken from the New Living Translation SE.