

Date: **March 14, 2021**

Series: **Triumphant in Tribulation**

Title: **How the Family Roles**

Scripture Text: **1 Peter 3:1-7**

Today's sermon addresses the definition and relationship of marriage. Today's culture is attempting to redefine marriage, replacing God's design with humanistic definitions. Peter addresses marriage based on God's design, between one man and one woman. He encourages them in how they interact and their role within the context of marriage.

I. Wife (1 Peter 3:1-6)

This passage addresses three characteristics for the wife: 1) *Conduct*, 2) *Clothes*, and 3) *Character*. The culture typically views spouses the same, disregarding biblically defined roles. In the biblical roles of husbands and wives ([Eph. 5:22-26](#)) we observe several things: each complement the other, they are stronger together, but they have very different roles with neither being less important.

- **Describe what it means for a wife to submit to her own husband?**
 - **How can that be a challenge for some wives?**
- **How can silence win over a lost husband?**
- **What is the value of focusing on what is on the inside (the heart), over that which is on the outside?**
 - **How does God view a 'gentle and quiet spirit'?**
 - **How can developing what is in the heart positively affect outward beauty?**
- **The spirit of submission is described as 'strength under control'. How can a wife's spirit of submission be an encouragement to her husband?**

II. Husband (1 Peter 3:7)

In the same way the wife has a specific role within the marriage, so does the husband. For the marriage to be a growing, maturing, and successful relationship, both the husband and wife must fulfill their roles. Husbands, as leaders, are responsible for the welfare of their wives, just as Christ takes care of the church and gave Himself for it ([Eph. 5:25-26](#)). [1 Pet. 3:7](#) addresses how the husband is to: 1) Be *Sensitive* to his wife's needs, 2) *Serve*, and 3) Be the *Spiritual* Leader in the home.

- **Describe what it means for the husband to be the leader in the marriage relationship.**
- **How does [1 Pet. 3:7](#) describe how the husband is to treat his wife?**
 - **What are practical ways for the husband to fulfill [vs. 7](#)?**
- **How was Jesus a good example of a servant?**
 - **What are examples of how a husband can serve his wife to show her how important she is to him?**
- **For the husband to be the spiritual leader in the home, he needs to be spending time developing his relationship with God through prayer and Bible reading. How can the husband's commitment to God and growing as a disciple of Jesus effect the wife and family?**

As has been stated, both husband and wife have important roles within the marriage relationship. Pray for God to develop you into the husband or wife He wants you to be.

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