



**Colossians 3:18**  
**Our Creator**  
**Gave Us Directions**

**Genesis 2:18** Then the Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him."

**Genesis 2:24** (1<sup>st</sup>) That is why a man leaves his father and mother (2<sup>nd</sup>) and is united to his wife, (3<sup>rd</sup>) and they become one flesh. 25 (4<sup>th</sup>) Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame. NIV

**Colossians 3:18** Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting for those who belong to the Lord.

1. It's important to establish that God's marital roles have nothing to do with status, intelligence or worth. They are simply our \_\_\_\_\_.

**Galatians 3:28** There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus.

2. The call for a wife to submit:

- Doesn't mean she is to have \_\_\_\_\_
- Doesn't mean that she can't \_\_\_\_\_
- Does mean when they can't come to the same opinion that God is releasing her to \_\_\_\_\_ plan with her husband.

**Ephesians 5:25** Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her NIV

- A husband is to be a servant leader. His decisions and leadership are to be pleasing to Christ and in \_\_\_\_\_ to his wife.
- Something incredible and inspiring to grasp: I am married to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the King.
- Contrary to our cultural thought about marriage, my wife does not exist to meet my needs. I am to lead and serve her as a form of my worship of Christ, even when that calls for personal \_\_\_\_\_.

**Romans 12:1** Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

6. How I lead, serve and sacrifice for my wife is perhaps the greatest testimony of my \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.

**Colossians 3:21** Fathers, do not aggravate your children, or they will become discouraged.

7. I am to be my child's greatest \_\_\_\_\_.

8. It's so encouraging to see that our Father has instructions in His word to us for how to handle every area and relationship in our lives. That's because He \_\_\_\_\_ us.