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Submitting to One
Another: Marriage
Ephesians 5:21-33

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1. What are some popular ways the world articulates strategies for a successful marriage? How have those played out in your marriage or in the marriages of people you know (parents, friends, children, otherwise)?
2. Read Eph 5:18–21. Review the environments by which we can be filled by the Spirit of God? Why was submitting to one another so counter-cultural in Paul’s day? How does it remain counter-cultural in ours?
3. Read Eph 5:22–24. Describe biblical submission for a wife to her husband. What is biblical submission and what is it not?
4. Read Eph 5:25–30. What does it mean for a husband to lead in his marriage? What are his responsibilities to his wife?
5. Read Eph 5:31–33. When husbands and wives live out their responsibilities within their marriages, what can they expect? For what purpose?
6. Take a few moments to prayerfully inventory your own marriage, or the marriage you had or hope to have some day. Repent where necessary. And invite God to teach you to live out your responsibility as a husband or wife, or if not married, to support those who are in this calling.