

Discussion Questions:

1. What are some ways he is currently showing you his love?

2. What are some sacrifices he has made for your marriage that you appreciate?

3. What are some ways she makes him feel appreciated for how he loves her?

4. In what ways could he display love more effectively?



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Lesson: THE HUSBAND'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.
EPHESIANS 5:25–33

Introduction: _____

1. Christ's love is _____ first by Himself

In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. 1 JOHN 4:9-11



2. Christ's love is _____

O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: because his mercy endureth for ever. PSALM 118:1

Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.
1 PETER 3:7

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.
1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-7

What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.
MARK 10:9

3. Christ's love is _____

The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee. JEREMIAH 31:3

The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. JOHN 10:10

4. Christ's love is _____

Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous. PSALM 112:4

And of some have compassion, making a difference: JUDE 22

5. Christ's love is _____ by action

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
JOHN 3:16

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. ROMANS 5:8

By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. JOHN 13:35

6. Christ's love does what is _____ for us

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose.
ROMANS 8:28

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
EPHESIANS 5:22

7. Christ's love is _____

I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.
JOHN 10:11

So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:
EPHESIANS 5:28-29

8. Christ's love involves _____ us even though we are not worthy

And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet: And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry: For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry. LUKE 15:20-24

9. Christ's love is not based on _____

He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. PSALM 103:10

A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. JOHN 13:34

Conclusion: _____

He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. 1 JOHN 4:8

For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:14