

# Transforming Life 3

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## Week Three: Portrait of a Godly Wife

### INTRO

According to creation, the roles of men and women are distinctly different. These roles have been \_\_\_\_\_ since the Fall.

Men are created for and intended to lead, protect and provide.

While in some single parent homes, a woman must lead, protect and provide, to do so with a husband present would be to \_\_\_\_\_ the natural order and blur distinctions created by God.

When men abdicate their God-given role as leader, provider and protector—women fill the \_\_\_\_\_.

Men and women are spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ in the sight of the Lord (Gal. 3:28).

God ordained roles in the family have nothing to do with superiority and inferiority.

True freedom does not deny \_\_\_\_\_.

The role that God has designed and called all women to is the path to true \_\_\_\_\_ for every woman.

## I. A Suitable Helper – Gen. 2:18

1. A wife directly corresponds to her husband in a \_\_\_\_\_ way.
  - 1) In \_\_\_\_\_. She should be her husband's best friend.
  - 2) In physical \_\_\_\_\_. Made only for her husband.
  - 3) In \_\_\_\_\_. No one else should interfere with this.
  - 4) In \_\_\_\_\_. She has a vital role in her husband's area of ministry.
  - 5) In \_\_\_\_\_. She is his closest counselor.
2. She \_\_\_\_\_ him. His weaknesses are her strengths.
3. This does not make the wife \_\_\_\_\_ class.
4. It is an honor for her to facilitate the \_\_\_\_\_ of her husband in all areas of life and godliness.

## II. A Submissive Spirit – 1 Pe. 3:1-5

1. The idea of submission is \_\_\_\_\_ in the Body of Christ and therefore \_\_\_\_\_ in marriage.
 

“...be subject to one another in the fear of Christ” (Eph. 5:21) sets the context.

  - 1) We submit to \_\_\_\_\_.

2) We submit to governing \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 13:1-7; 1 Pe. 2:13-15).

3) We submit to those who are in leadership and involved in \_\_\_\_\_ in our church.

1 Cor 16:16

4) We submit to the \_\_\_\_\_ leadership in the church.

Heb 13:17

5) We are to submit to \_\_\_\_\_.

Phil 2:3

Rom 12:10

1 Pet 5:5

2. The wife submits to her husband "...as to the \_\_\_\_\_"

Eph. 5:22

3. The wife only submits to what the Lord \_\_\_\_\_. She should never follow her husband's leadership into \_\_\_\_\_.

Col 3:18

4. The wife submits to her husband even if he is an \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Pet 3:1

### III. A Spiritual Partner Eph. 5:22-24

1. Since being under her husband's authority is God's \_\_\_\_\_ for the wife, it is therefore the \_\_\_\_\_ place for her to be.
2. She submits to her husband, as to the Lord (v22). Therefore, her obedience is ultimately rendered to \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The husband's headship is a \_\_\_\_\_ of the loving headship of Christ over the Church (v23).
4. As the Lord delivers the Church from spiritual danger and sin, so too the husband must do the same for his wife by protecting and facilitating her spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### Recommended Resources for Further Study:

- ❖ The Excellent Wife; Martha Peace
- ❖ What's the Difference; John Piper
- ❖ Strengthening Your Marriage; Wayne Mack
- ❖ Helper by Design; Elyse Fitzpatrick