

# Sermon Notes for Young People

September 1, 2019 | Col. 3:18-19, "Husbands & Wives"

## I. Introduction

**A. Where is the Christian life primarily lived out?**

**B. What is the Abundant Life Christ Promised?**

**C. How are these verses relevant for the unmarried?**

## II. Main Argument

### A. **Wives (v. 18)**

1. How is what Paul writes here distinctly Christian?
2. How do we know Paul's commands here are rooted not in culture, but in timeless principles?
3. Submission: what sort of submission is in view?
4. How does the wife-husband relationship offer a picture of Christ and the Church?
  - a. Is the wife's submission to her husband mindless or unconditional?
  - b. What is meant by a "hierarchy" to the Laws of God? What are some examples?
  - c. **Application**: in what sense is this submission a costly one? And what is the motivation?

### B. **Husbands (v. 19)**

1. In what sense are the commands to husband and wives complementary?
2. How is what Paul writes here distinctly Christian?

a. What is the meaning of Greek words for love?

- 1) Eros
- 2) Philia
- 3) Agape

b. What sort of love are husbands to have?

### 3. Grounded in Redemption

a. What is the model for the husband's love?

b. **Application**: what does it mean to love one's wife in a Christian way?

- 1) Empathy:
- 2) Pursuit:
- 3) Prayer:
- 4) Sacrifice:

c. How does loving your wife this way make her role in the marriage a delight?

d. **Application**: when do husbands love this way?

### 4. Lack of Harshness

a. What does *harshness* mean here?

b. How does the husband exercise his authority?

5. Communion: how does the Lord's Table visibly display the love of a husband for his bride?