

I. Wives: Imitate Christ's Self-Sacrificing Service

Verses 1–2

II. Wives: Imitate Christ's Courageous Humility

Verses 3–6

III. Husbands: Imitate Christ's Self-Sacrificing Service & Humility

Verse 7

Do you have any key takeaways from this week's sermon?

Read 1 Peter 3:1–7. Peter's words to both husbands and wives are countercultural. What do you find countercultural in each set of instructions (verses 1–6 for wives, verse 7 for husbands)? Why are these concepts so countercultural today?

Read 1 Peter 2:11–12. Here Peter sets the tone for this entire section of his letter. How do Peter's instructions for husbands and wives in 3:1–7 exemplify what he says in 2:11–12?

Peter says that if wives display godly conduct toward their unbelieving husbands, these husbands "may be won without a word." Why would Peter consider godly conduct to be an effective approach to witnessing? Have you found this to be the case in any relationships you've had?

Peter calls wives to focus on their inner—as opposed to outer—adornment. Why do you think we all tend to be more prone to consider our outer adornment than our inner adornment? What would it look like to focus on inner adornment? (Both men and women should be able to answer this.)

Peter tells husbands that if they do not live considerately with their wives, their prayers will be hindered. Why would mistreating your spouse have an affect on your relationship with God? What's the logic Peter is using? Should this principle apply to other relationships as well? Why or why not?

Peter says that both husband and wife are "co-heirs" of the grace of life. If you truly adopted this truth, would it change your marriage at all? How so? Would any other relationships be changed if you applied this principle more broadly?

What is one takeaway that you need to apply to your marriage (or if you're not married, to your relationships in general)?