



THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL IN MARRIAGE

I Peter 3:1-9

The Beauty of Wives (1-6)

Submission

For the lord's sake (13).

Unsaved husband (3:1).

PURPOSE:

Saved without a word (from his wife).

3 Likewise, wives, be **subject** to your own husbands, so that even if **some do not obey the word**, they may be **won** without a word by the conduct of their wives, ² when they see your **respectful and pure conduct**.

The Beauty of Wives (1-6)

Adornment

Comparison: External vs. Inward (3-4)

Inward Adornment (4). **Precious to God.**

Personality.

Her gentle and quiet spirit.

³ Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear— ⁴ but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God’s sight is very precious.

The Beauty of Wives (1-6)

Inward Adornment (4). **Precious to God.**

Quiet confidence in God produces in a woman the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, but it also enables her to submit to her husband's authority without fear that it will ultimately be harmful to her well-being or her personhood.

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The Kindness of Husbands (7)

Live with your wife:

In a knowledgeable way.

Showing honor to *the woman*.

Realizing her equality.

How important is this to God?

⁷ Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.

This is Possible because of Real Love (8-9)

Unity of mind (8).

Sympathy.

Brotherly love.

A tender heart.

A humble mind.

No revenge, no threats (9).

**⁹...but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called,
that you may obtain a blessing.**

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