What Paul said about women Part 3

Submission

What do you think when you hear the word Submit?

- Giving up
- Being controlled
- Being inferior

Submit

Merriam Webster

1a: to yield to governance or authority b: to subject to a condition, treatment, or operation the metal was *submitted* to analysis

2: to present or propose to another for review, consideration, or decision; *also*: to deliver formally *submitted* my resignation

Submit

OXFORD DICTIONARY

- 1. Accept or yield to a superior force or to the authority or will of another person.
- 2. Subject to a particular process, treatment, or condition
- 3. Present (a proposal, application, or other document) to a person or body for consideration or judgement.

Ephesians 5:21-29 (TLV)

21 Also submit yourselves to one another out of reverence for Messiah— 22 wives to your own husbands as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is head of the wife, as Messiah also is head of His community—Himself the Savior of the body. 24 But as Messiah's community is submitted to Messiah, so also the wives to their husbands in everything.

25 Husbands, love your wives just as Messiah also loved His community and gave Himself up for her 26 to make her holy, having cleansed her by immersion[d] in the word. 27 Messiah did this so that He might present to Himself His glorious community—not having stain or wrinkle or any such thing, but in order that she might be holy and blameless. 28 In the same way, husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it—just as Messiah also does His community, 30 because we are members of His body. 31 "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." [e] 32 This mystery is great—but I am talking about Messiah and His community. 33 In any case, let each of you love his own wife as himself, and let the wife respect her husband.

Who are we to submit to

- Each other v.21
- Wives to husbands v.22
- Every one to Messiah v.24

The call to the husband

V.25-28

- •Show the same kind of love to your wife as Messiah shows to us
- Love them like your own flesh

What does it mean to love your wife as your own flesh? Why

- We are selfish and will put our physical needs ahead of everything
- Man and wife will become one flesh
- We are members of the body of Messiah
- Man will love his wife and she will respect him
- Bears the likeness of Yeshua and the assemblies

What if the husband or wife is not a believer

1 Corinthians 7:14-16

14 For the unbelieving husband is made holy through the wife, and the unbelieving wife is made holy through her husband. [c] Otherwise your children would be unclean, but now they are holy.

15 But if the unbeliever separates, let him be separated. The brother or the sister is not bound in such cases, but God has called you to *shalom*. 16 For how do you know, wife, whether you will save your husband? Or how do you know, husband, whether you will save your wife?

Submission/Leadership may be the key

- 14 For the unbelieving husband is made holy through the wife, and the unbelieving wife is made holy through her husband.
 - o The respect of the wife may convict the husband
 - o The love in his leadership may convict the wife

conclusion

Submission is for everyone and benefits her as her husband's character will be measured by that of Yeshua