MODERN MARRIAGE PART 2

Ephesians 5:21-33

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy...

(continued...)

...cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church— for we are members of his body.

(continued...)

"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

"We in a marathon we could build a marriage on."

Chance the Rapper, "Finish Line"

The Meaning of Marriage
The Unity of Marriage
The Reality of Marriage

The Unity of Marriage (What marriage does)

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and be united to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Genesis 2:24

For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church...

Ephesians 5:23

The word "head" (Greek kephale) can be translated metaphorically in one of two ways: "Authority" or "Source".

"The image of head and body here is meant to emphasize especially that the husband and wife should see themselves as one and work together with a common purpose and goal (5:31)."

Craig S. Keener, Paul, Women, & Wives

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her...

Ephesians 5:25

"It is part of the household science to rule over wife and children... for the male is by nature better fitted to command than the female."

Aristotle, Politics I.V.2

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord.

Ephesians 5:21-22

The Reality of Marriage (What marriage is about)

The man—the Messiah—will leave the place where He was at home, and go in search of a bride.