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every _____.

• **Wives:** allow yourself to be _____ and _____.

• The _____ don't override the _____.

• **Husbands:** lead through _____ and _____.

• Use power to _____, not to _____.

A _____ paints a
picture of a _____.

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(With Scripture references and fill-in the blank answers)

¹ Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ² And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:1-2)

²¹ **submitting** to one another out of reverence for Christ. (Ephesians 5:21)

Our **reverence for Jesus** shapes every **earthly relationship**.

²² Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. (Ephesians 5:22-24)

²² Wives, **submit** to your own husbands, as to the Lord. (Ephesians 5:22)

Wives: allow yourself to be **loved** and **led**.

¹⁵ Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him **who is the head**, into Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love. (Ephesians 4:15-16)

The **particulars** don't override the **universals**.

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her... (Ephesians 5:25)

³⁴ A new commandment I give to you, that you **love** one another: **just as I** have loved you, you also are to love one another. (John 13:34)

Husbands: lead through **service** and **sacrifice**.

“We have mistresses for pleasure, prostitutes for the daily service of our bodies and wives to bear us legitimate children and to be faithful guardians of our households.” - Apollodorus

⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles **lord it over them**, and their great ones exercise **authority over them**. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” (Mark 10:42-45)

Use power to prop others up, not to push them down.

²⁶ that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. (Ephesians 5:26-27)

²⁸ In the same way husbands should love their 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 Christ does the church, ³⁰ because we are members of his body. (Ephesians 5:28-30)

³¹ “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” ³² This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³ However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband. (Ephesians 5:31-33)

A flourishing marriage paints a picture of a divine love.