

# Family Matters

## 2: The Role of the Husband in Marriage

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# The Husband's Role in Marriage

God has appointed the husband as head over his wife, he must exercise that headship as God intends, or else God will hold him responsible.

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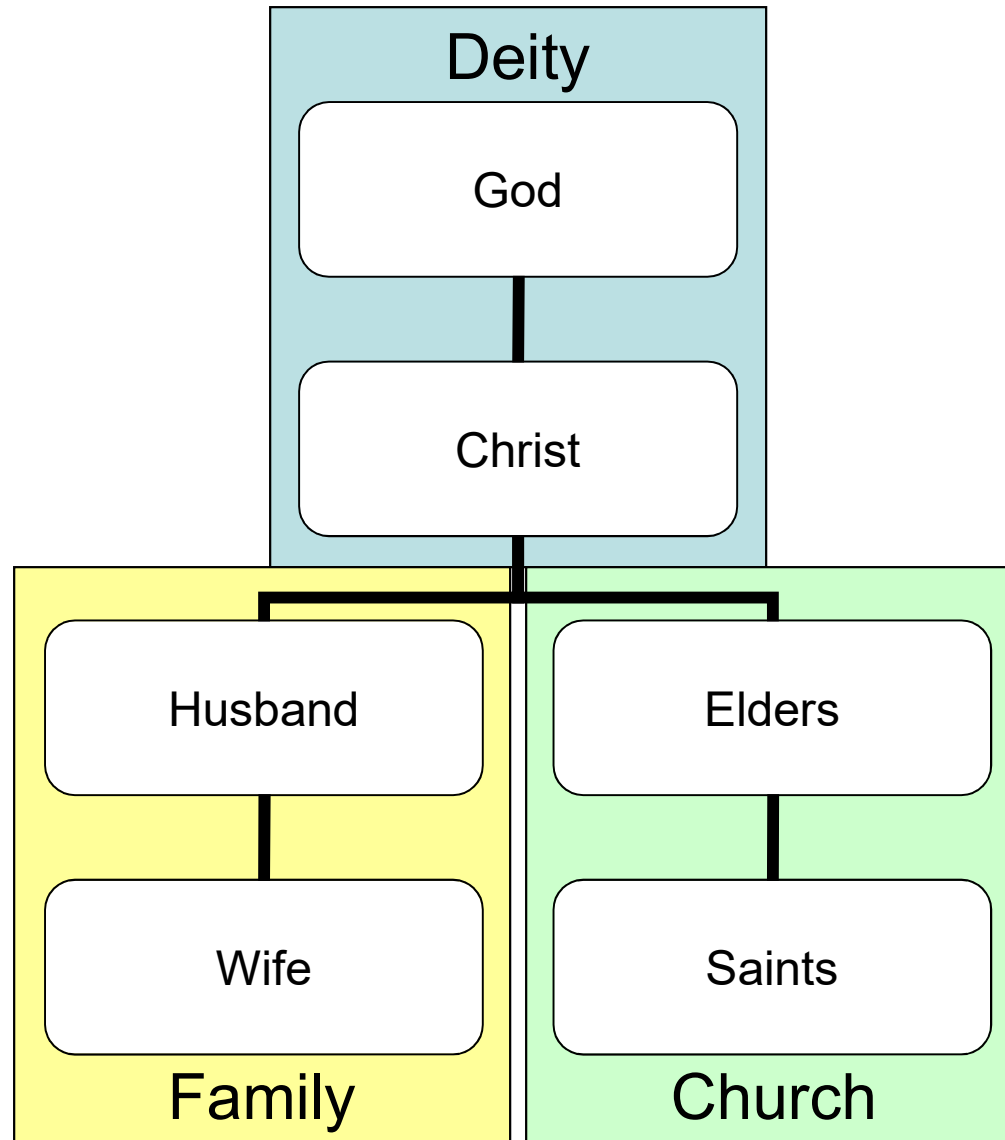
# Ephesians 5:23

23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.

# 1 Corinthians 11:3 NKJV

But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God.

# Headship Roles



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# Genesis 3:16

16 To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; **Your desire shall be for your husband, And he shall rule over you.**"

# 1 Timothy 2:13-14 NKJV

For Adam was formed first, then Eve. 14  
And Adam was not deceived, but the  
woman being deceived, fell into  
transgression.

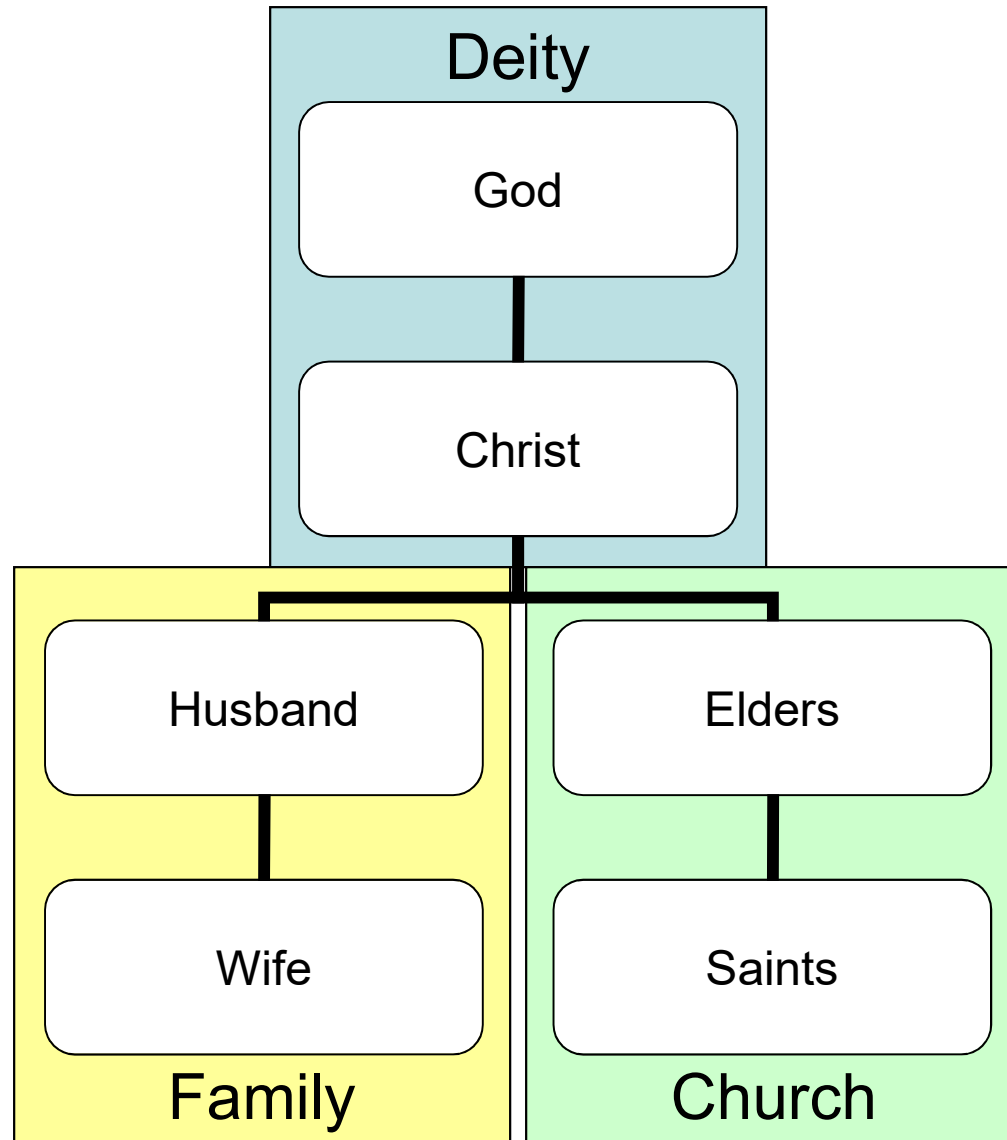
# 1 Corinthians 11:8-9 NKJV

For man is not from woman, but woman from man. 9 Nor was man created for the woman, but woman for the man.

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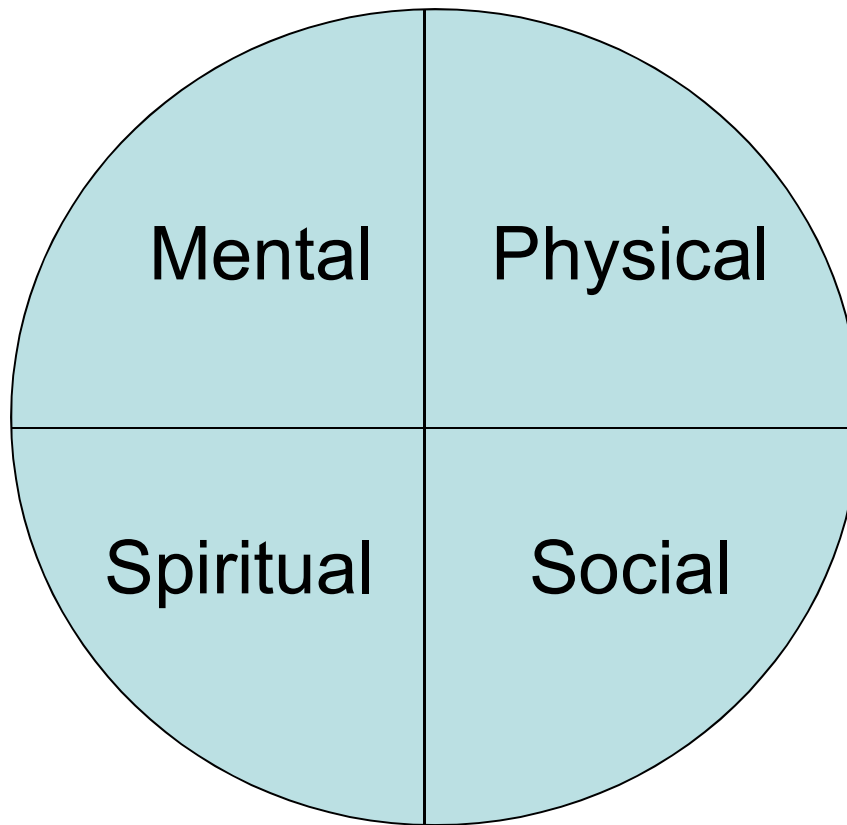
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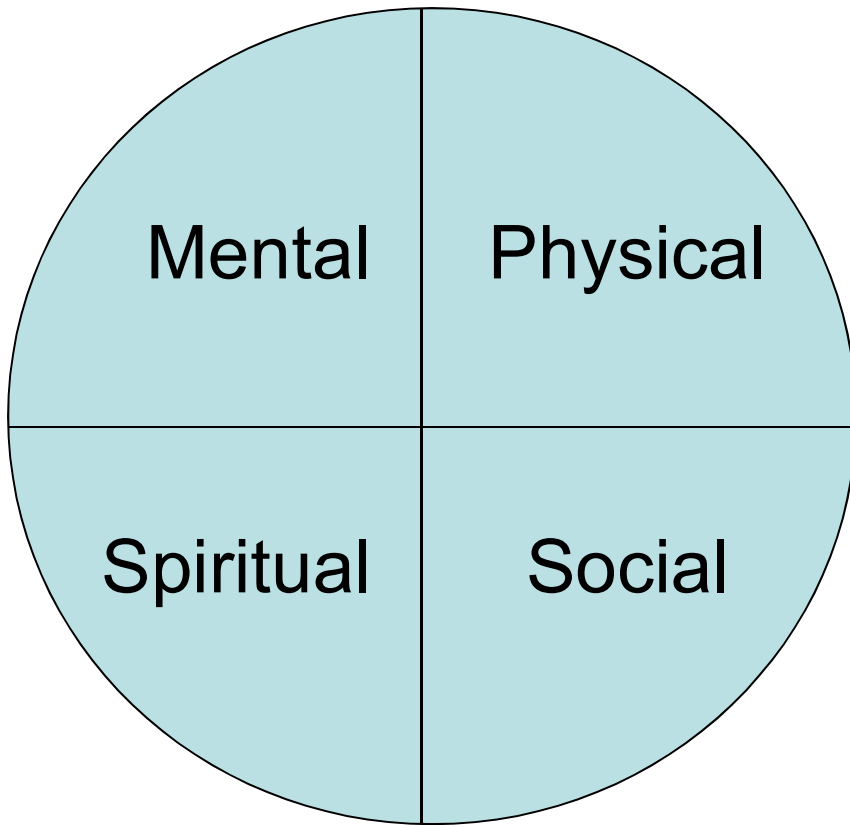
## Luke 2:51 NKJV

Then He [Jesus] went down with them [Mary and Joseph] and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them, but His mother kept all these things in her heart.

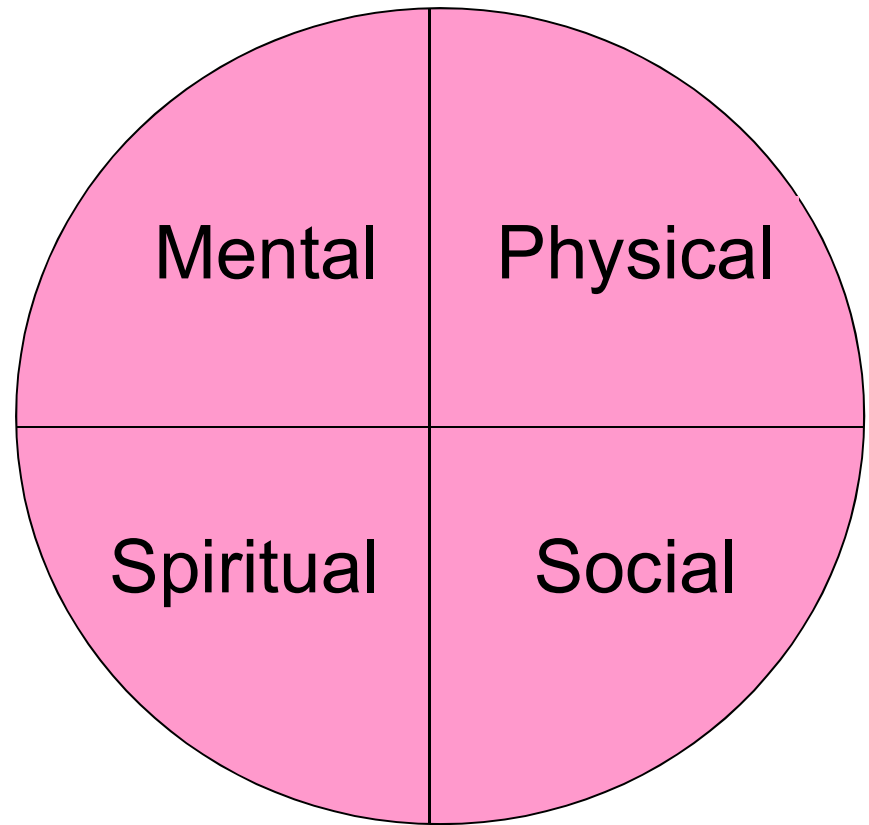
# Four Parts of Man – Luke 2:52



# Is There Any Difference?



Man



Woman



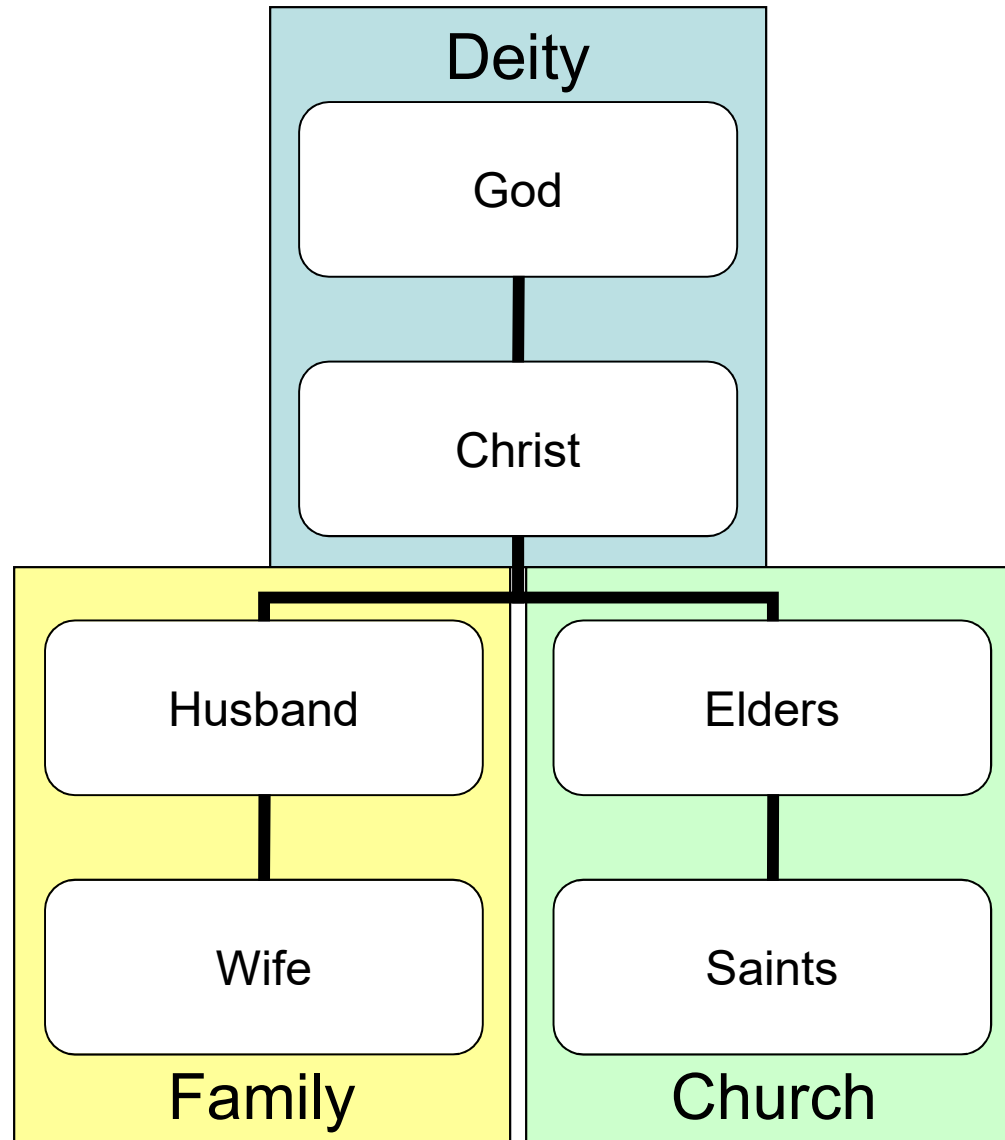
# Galatians 3:28 NKJV

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

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  - That man has free rein in exercising his headship

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# 1 Timothy 3:4-5 NKJV

one who rules his own house well, having his children in submission with all reverence 5 **(for if a man does not know how to rule his own house, how will he take care of the church of God?);**

# Hebrews 13:17 NKJV

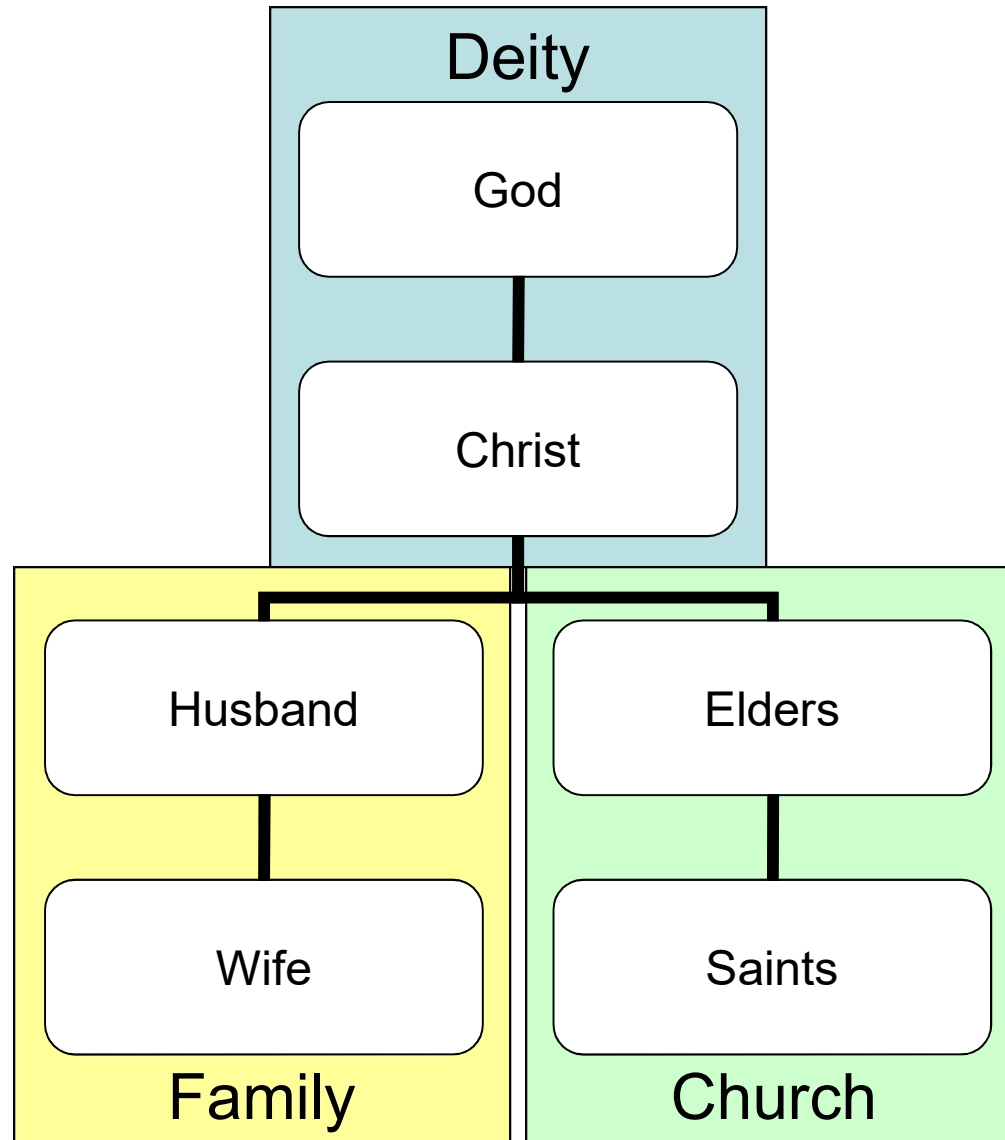
Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.

# 1 Peter 5:1-4 NKJV

2 Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; 3 nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock;



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    - As Christ loves the church
    - As your own body

# Ephesians 5:22-33 NKJV

Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. 24 Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.

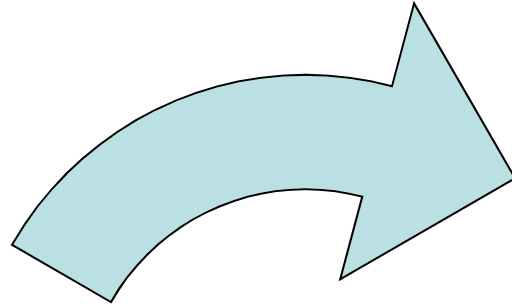
# Ephesians 5:22-33 NKJV

25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

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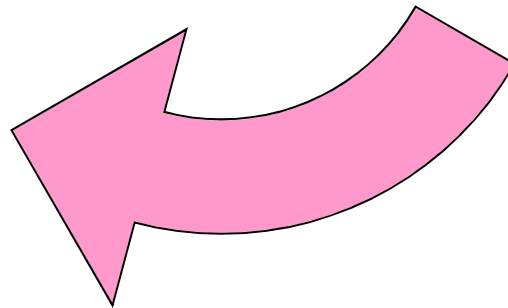
28 So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. ... 33 Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

# Ephesians 5:33

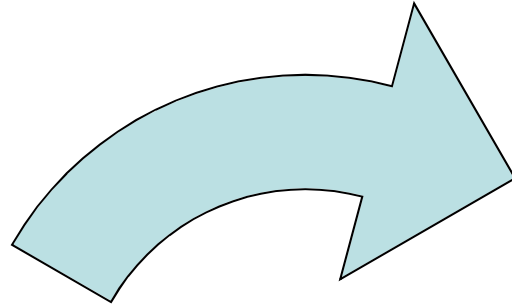


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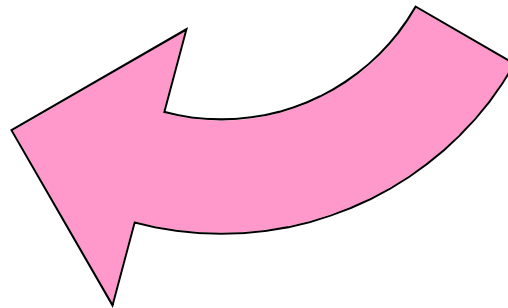


**RIGHT!**

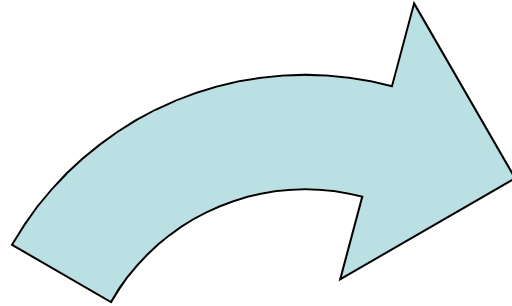


**Love**

**Respect**

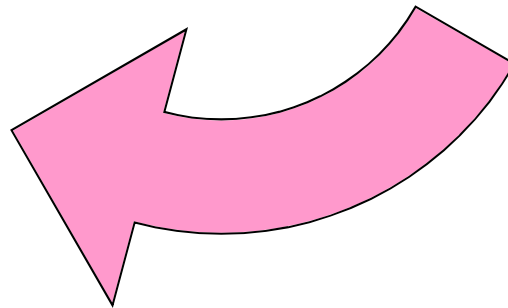


**WRONG!**



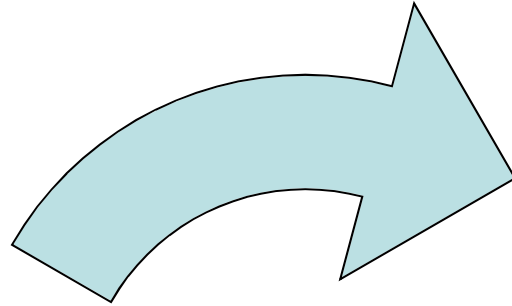
**Lack of  
Love**

**Disrespect**



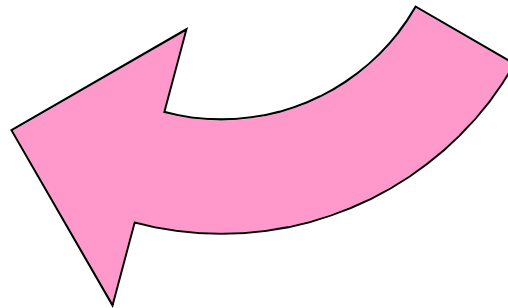


# Are these Conditional Commands?



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as yourself

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  - As Protector and Provider

# Protector and Provider

- Protector – “as Christ loved the church, and He is the Savior of the body”
- Provider – “nourishes and cherishes it”
- Protect from harm and Provide for needs:
  - Physical
  - Emotional
  - Spiritual

# Husbands, Love your Wife...

- By seeking closeness
- By providing openness
- By providing understanding
- By being the peacemaker
- By showing loyalty
- By giving esteem

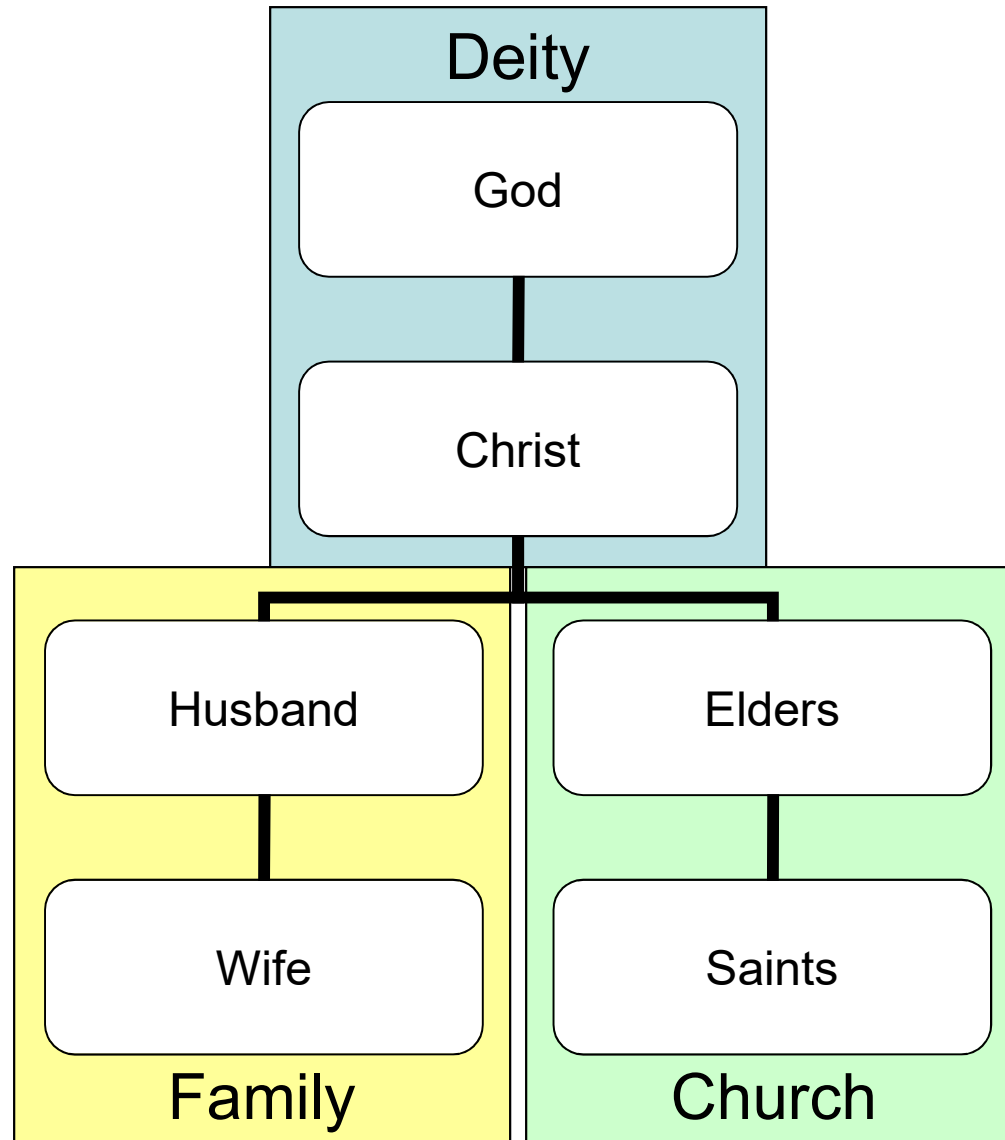
# The Husband Must Exercise His Headship as God Intends

- He must exercise it
- As God Intends
- Or God will Hold Him Accountable (1 Pet. 3:7)

# 1 Peter 3:7 NKJV

Husbands, likewise, dwell with them with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, **that your prayers may not be hindered.**

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God's way is the  
best way!