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*Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her; 26 that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, 27 that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she should be holy and blameless. Ephesians 5:25-27*

Many of us men think we know what this is, or think of ourselves that we are worthy of the tag as a Godly man for God and our wife's. I have asked myself and God this question many times. Jesus revealed the following to me of what He will describe as a Godly man. To be a man you don't have to drink beer, you don't have to be Arnold Schwarzenegger, you don't have to have a beard that grows back a half an hour after you have shaved. To be a man doesn't mean you

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can't cry or show emotions. So what is a man then?

A man is someone who loves Jesus with all there heart. They strive to be like Christ every day. Man = Godly man, that's the only written standard for any man. To be a Godly husband for you wife goes further than just to do some house duties. It means that you lay down your life for her just as Christ laid down His life for us. It may sound simple but it goes against every mans fleshly desires. This means that you will always put yourselves second to your wife.

In a lust driven society it seems almost impossible for a man to stay pure before marriage and if one enters marriage, it just get worse, because our sexual desires just get out of control. It is almost a hunger that never satisfies.

Most divorces takes place because a man doesn't get their sexual needs met and some wife's feel that their husband doesn't fulfill them emotionally. Short description of divorce will be: *"you're not for fulling my selfish desires and I'm sick trying to change you to meet my needs and standards"*.

So if we go back and see that God want us as husbands to love our wife's the way He loves us, divorce doesn't make a lot of sense to begin with. I know that many guys will not agree with me but we as men were actually DESIGNED to LOVE. When God gave me freedom over my lust and replaced that with His love, I experienced a love for my wife that I never experienced ever before.

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Lust based loves says: *“what can I get from you on my terms and when I want it, and what can I do to get what I want”*

Love based love says: *“what can I do for you to make life better and I want nothing else in return except your happiness”*

You see that Lust is also fear driven, and perfect love cast out fear. God is perfect love and He can show you His standard of loving, only He can take out of us our heart of stone and give us a heart of flesh to love our wives out of a pure love. The Lord showed His disciples what type of leadership He wanted from them, He washed their feet. The Lord chooses us to be a bond servant leader for our wife's. Let's take a look what does it mean to be a bond servant husband: In 2 Timothy 2:2, Timothy was instructed to entrust this knowledge to faithful men who would teach others also. We are the 'also.' So, let's look at the first 5 verses,

*“Paul, a bond-servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the faith of*

*those chosen of God and the knowledge of the truth which is according to*

*Godliness, in the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long*

*Ages ago, but at the proper time manifested, even His word, in the proclamation*

*With which I was entrusted according to the commandment of God our Savior; to*

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*Titus, my true child in a common faith: Grace and peace from God the Father and*

*Christ Jesus our Savior. For this reason I left you in Crete, that you might set in*

*order what remains, and appoint elders in every city as I directed you,"*

So Paul knew what it was all about, let take those same 5 verses and re – write it almost as if God gave you your instruction manual of what He expected from you towards your wife in marriage:

*"( Your name), a bond-servant of (Your wife's name), and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the faith of those chosen of God and the knowledge of the truth which is according to godliness, in the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long ages ago, but at the proper time manifested, even His word, in the proclamation with which I was entrusted according to the commandment of God our Savior; to (Your wife's name), my true love in a common faith: Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior. For this reason I left you in Crete, that you might set in order what remains, and appoint elders in every city as I directed you,"*

So basically you take the lead to show your wife how to submit to you while you submit to her. Another problem most of us have is that we don't know how to cherish our wife's, which they can bloom in the full potential God has for them.

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Here are some pointers that can help you to get her started blooming the way God want them to bloom.

### Emotional Intimacy

- Women/Wife's want you to love them and not understand them.
- Don't give her advice if she comes to you with a problem just listen, while she speaking she figure everything out while she talking to you, her burden is lifted just by talking to you.
- Try to give her an opportunity to talk to you every day and please don't try to rush her, get a place you can sit and listen to her patiently.
- She doesn't care how you look, they are emotional beings and don't really care about your looks, they love you just the way you are and they need to know on a daily basis that you love them and that they are still sexy (please don't use the word hot , most women prefer sexy).
- Please note that some of her emotional needs are only meant to be met by God.

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### Give her space to grow

- Your wife is very special, do not try to make her in something she's not.
- Try to cherish her when she's like a little girl, love her for that.
- Just be there for her, doing what she want how she want to your house. Remember its her nest, so let her do what she wants, this will make her happy.
- Give her room to develop, just love her.

### Be her spiritual leader

- The most loving thing you can do for you wife is to pray for her every day.
- Be the leader in your and her spiritual growth.
- There is nothing sexier for a woman as a Godly man.

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This is just to get you started, in time you will see your wife blossom before your very eyes and you will also reap from your labor of love.

So men of God Love your wife's the way God loves us.