High Point Bible Study January 25, 2017 "Relationship Building with Spouses"

"Wives, be submissive to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. ¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and don't be bitter toward them." Colossians 3:18-19

- **1**. Wives "Wives, be submissive to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord" (18)
 - a. Submission is the norm for all Christians:
 - 1) To civil authorities (Romans 13:1; Titus 3:1)
 - 2) To church leaders (1 Cor. 16:6; Titus 2:15; Hebrews 13:7)
 - 3) To parents (Col. 3:20)
 - 4) To masters (Col.3:22; Titus 2:9)
 - 5) **To God** (James 4:7)
 - b. Christ is our Example of Submission (Philippians 2:1-10)
 - c. "Submission is a voluntary respect of leadership, not a forceful loss of dignity". Pastor Gregg Matte, 'A Wife's True Beauty', sermon 1-15-17
- **2.** Husbands *"Husbands, love your wives and don't be bitter toward them"* (19).
 - a. The greater responsibility is assigned to the husband *"just as Christ loved the church"* (Eph. 5:25):
 - 1) **Provides** (Eph. 5:29)
 - 2) Cares (Eph. 5:29)
 - b. A proper attitude is your responsibility "and don't be bitter toward them."
 - c. Ultimately, God holds you responsible "Husbands, in the same way, live with your wives with an understanding...so that your prayers will not be hindered." (1 Peter 3:7)

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