

Ephesians 5:18-33

17-18. Therefore do not be **UNWISE**, but **understand** what **the will of the Lord** is. And do not be **drunk with wine**, in which is **dissipation**; but **BE FILLED with the Spirit**,

- **Acts 4:31** "And when they had _____, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all _____ with the _____, and they spoke the _____ of God with _____."
- **Galatians 5:16** "I say then, '**WALK** in the _____, and you shall not fulfill the _____ of the FLESH (the "old man," your sinful nature).' "
- **Colossians 3:16-17** "Let the **word of Christ dwell in you richly** in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in _____ and _____ and _____, singing with _____ in your _____ to the Lord."
- **Romans 13:12-13** "The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of _____, and let us put on the armor of _____. Let us **WALK (conduct our lives)** properly, as in the day, _____ in _____ and _____, not in licentiousness and lewdness, not in strife and envy, but **put on the Lord Jesus Christ**, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its _____."
- **Proverbs 23:29-35** (Verses 31-32) "Do not _____ on the _____ when it is red, when it _____ in the cup, when it swirls round _____; at the last it bites like a _____, and _____ like a viper (snake)."
- **Proverbs 20:1** "**Wine** is a mocker, **intoxicating drink** arouse brawling (fighting), and whoever is _____ by it is _____."

Definition: "DISSIPATION" & "UNWISE" - Dissipation means "to use up foolishly," being **WASTEFUL**, aimless living, "extravagant **pursuit of pleasure**," which is **NOT WISE** use of our time here on Earth.

Definition: "Filled with the Spirit" - Paul contrasts BEING DRUNK with BEING FILLED with the Spirit. INSTEAD of being drunk, which is to be "UNDER THE INFLUENCE" of alcohol, we are to be "UNDER THE INFLUENCE," or CONTROLLED BY the **Holy Spirit**. In the above scriptures, it is also called "walking in the Spirit," "letting the word of Christ dwell in you," and "putting on the Lord Jesus Christ." This is NOT a ONE-TIME experience, but a continuous YIELDING of ourselves to the Holy Spirit's control in our lives. The literal translation of the Greek is "keep being filled" with the Spirit.

19-20. Speaking to one another psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, **singing** and **making melody** in your heart to the Lord. **Giving thanks** ALWAYS for ALL THINGS to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

- **I Thessalonians 5:18** "In everything _____; for this is the _____ of God in Christ Jesus for _____."
- **Acts 16:24-25** "Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner _____ and fastened their feet in the stocks. But at midnight Paul and Silas were _____ and _____ to God, and the [other] prisoners were _____ to them."
- **Psalms 34:1** "I will bless the Lord at _____; His _____ shall _____ be in my mouth."
- **James 5:13** "Is anyone among you suffering? Let him _____. Is anyone cheerful? Let him _____."

NOTE: "Giving thanks ALWAYS for ALL THINGS" - This is a matter of TRUST. If you do not TRUST God to be WORKING ALL THINGS together for your GOOD (Romans

8:28), then you WON'T BE ABLE to give Him thanks for EVERYTHING that is happening or has happened in your life.

21-23. SUBMITTING to one another in the fear of God. Wives, SUBMIT to your own husbands, **as to the Lord**. For the husband is **the head of the wife**, as also **Christ is head of the church**; and He is the Savior of the body."

- **I Peter 5:5** "Likewise you younger people, _____ yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be _____ to one another, and be clothed with _____ , for 'God resists the _____ , but gives _____ to the _____ .'"
- **Galatians 5:13** "For you, brethren, have been called to _____ ; only do not use liberty as an _____ for the _____ , but through _____ , _____ one another ."
- **Philippians 2:3** "Let nothing be done through _____ ambition or _____ , but in lowliness (humility) of mind let each esteem (regard) _____ better than _____ ."
- **Colossians 3:18** "Wives, _____ to your own _____ , as is fitting in the Lord."
- **Ephesians 1:22-23** "And has put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be the _____ over all things to **the church, which is His** _____ , the fullness of Him who fills all in all."

Definition: "SUBMISSIVE or SUBMITTING" - Being HUMBLE or compliant; YIELDING to the authority or control of another - the opposite of REBELLIOUS.

24. Therefore, just **as the CHURCH is SUBJECT to Christ**, so let the **wives** be to their own **husbands** in everything.

- **I Peter 3:1** "Likewise you wives, be _____ to your own husbands, that even if some (husbands) do not _____ the _____ , they, without a word (without arguing or preaching) may be won by the _____ of their wives."
- **Titus 2:4-5** "That they admonish the young women to _____ their husbands, to love their _____ , to be _____ , chaste (modest), _____ , good, _____ to THEIR OWN HUSBANDS, that the _____ of God may not be BLASPHEMED (spoken against with CONTEMPT)."

25-26. Husbands, **LOVE** your wives, just as Christ **LOVED** the church and gave Himself for it, that He might **sanctify** and cleanse it with the **WASHING** of water by the **WORD**.

- **Acts 20:28 & 32** "Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the _____ of God which He _____ with His own blood." "And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the _____ of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are _____ ."
- **Ezekiel 36:25** "Then I will sprinkle _____ _____ on you, and you will be clean; I will _____ you from all your filthiness and all your idols."
- **Titus 3:5** "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He _____ us, through the _____ of regeneration (NEW BIRTH) and renewing of the Holy Spirit."
- **I Peter 1:23** "Having been _____ _____ , not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the _____ of _____ which lives and abides forever."
- **Hebrews 10:10** "By that will we have been _____ through the _____ of the body of Jesus Christ one for all."

27. That He might **PRESENT** it to Himself **a glorious CHURCH** , not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that it should be **HOLY** and **without blemish**.

- **Revelation 19:7-8** "let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the _____ of the Lamb (Jesus) has come, and His _____ has made herself ready. And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, _____ and _____, for the fine linen is the _____ of the saints (the church)."
- **II Corinthians 11:2** "For I am jealous for you with _____ jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one _____, that I may _____ you as a chaste (pure, undefiled) virgin to _____."
- **Jude 1:24** "Now to Him who is able to _____ from _____, and to _____ you _____ before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to God our Savior"
- **Colossians 1:21-22** "And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has _____ in the body of His flesh through death, to _____ you holy, and blameless, and irreproachable in His sight."

28-29. So husbands ought to **love their own wives as their own bodies**; he who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church.

- **Colossians 3:19** "Husbands, _____ your wives and do not be _____ toward them."
- **I Peter 3:7** "Likewise you _____, dwell with [your wives] with _____, giving _____ to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as being _____ of the grace of life, that your _____ may not be hindered."

30-32. For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be JOINED to his wife, and **the two shall become one flesh**. This is a great MYSTERY, but I speak concerning CHRIST and the CHURCH.

- **I Corinthians 6:15-17** "Do you not know that your _____ are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not! For 'The two,' He says, 'Shall become _____ flesh.' But he who is _____ to the Lord is one _____ with Him."
- **Read Revelation 21:9-27** (Verse 9-10) "Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me, and talked with me, saying, 'Come, I will show you the _____, the Lamb's _____. And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great _____, the _____ Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God."
- **Matthew 19:4-6** "And He answered and said to them, 'Have you not read that He who _____ them at the beginning made them _____ and _____, _____ and be _____ to his _____, and the two shall become _____. So then, they are not longer _____ but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no man _____."
- **John 14:2-3** "In my Father's house are many _____; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to _____ a _____ for you. And if I go and _____ a _____ for you, I will _____ and _____ you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also."

NOTE: Just as a husband would prepare a home for his new bride, and then take her to live in their new home after the wedding, Jesus is preparing a PLACE FOR US in His heavenly kingdom, also called the "New Jerusalem." After Jesus returns, and this present world system is over, the New Jerusalem will come down out of heaven to the NEW EARTH.

- **II Peter 3:13** "Nevertheless we, according to His _____, look for new _____ and a _____ in which righteousness dwells."
- **Revelation 21:1-2** "And I saw a _____ and a _____, for the first heaven and the first _____ had passed away. Also there was no more sea."

Then I, John, saw the _____ New Jerusalem, coming _____ out of _____ from God, prepared as a _____ adorned for her _____ ."

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**.

- **Romans 13:8-10** "Owe no one anything except to _____ **one another**, for he who _____ another (including his wife) has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, 'You shall not _____ , You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not bear _____ , You shall not _____ , and if there is any other commandment, are all SUMMED UP in this saying, namely, 'You shall _____ your neighbor as _____ .'"
- **Proverbs 31:10-12** "Who can find a virtuous woman? For her worth is far above rubies. The heart of her _____ safely _____ in her; so he will have no lack of gain. She does him _____ and not _____ all the days of her life."
- **Proverbs 18:22** "He who finds a _____ finds a _____ thing, and obtains _____ from the Lord."
- **Proverbs 12:4** "An excellent wife is the _____ of her _____ , but she who causes _____ is like _____ in the bones."

NOTE: EQUALITY of the SEXES **IS** IN THE BIBLE !! The women have three (3) commands from God, and the men have three (3) commands from God. An EQUAL **number** of commands, only they are DIFFERENT commands. Male and female are **equal in God's sight**, but the HUSBAND and the WIFE have DIFFERENT FUNCTIONS and RESPONSIBILITIES within the marriage context.

The wives are commanded:

(1.) To submit to their own husband; (2.) To respect their husbands and; (3.) To be subject to their husbands.

The husbands are commanded:

(1.) To love their wives as Christ loved the church; (2.) To love their wives as their own bodies; and (3.) To love their wives as themselves.

- **Galatians 3:26-28** "For you are _____ sons (children) of God through _____ in _____ . For as many of you as were baptized _____ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek (gentile), there is neither _____ nor _____ , there is neither _____ nor _____ ; for you are all _____ in Christ Jesus."