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**Big Idea:**

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nurturing the marriage with love and respect

1. Wives are called to willingly respect their husbands

*Ephesians 5:21-24*

2. Husbands are called to sacrificially love their wives

*Ephesians 5:25-32*

3. Husbands and wives must be rooted in Jesus to live out God's design for marriage

*Ephesians 5:21-33*

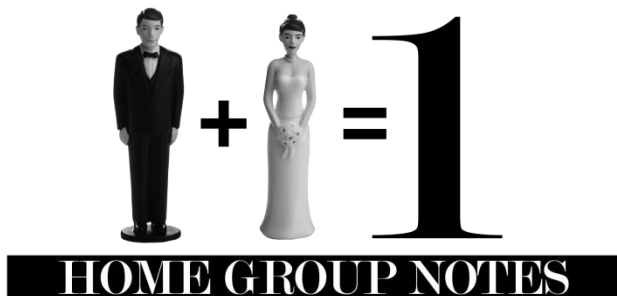
## Next Steps

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### **SERIES BOOK RECOMMENDATION:**

*Love & Respect* by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs



**Week of May 27**

Love & Respect

Home Groups are a great place to learn about God's plan for "oneness" in marriage and His design for intimacy. You can find more information at [www.trinityonline.org/connect/home-groups/](http://www.trinityonline.org/connect/home-groups/) or call (909) 335-7333.



### **Share It**

What famous couples give you positive, negative, or humorous impressions?



### **Study the Bible**

Read Ephesians 5:22-33

How does the writer, Paul, summarize roles in verse 33?

What is the role of the wife? What other words could be used? What is the source and motivation of her calling? (22-24)

What is the role of the husband? What other words could be used? What is the source and motivation of his calling? (25-30)

To what is God's design for marriage compared? (31-32) Why is this so significant?

How is this passage really about Christ? What stands out?



## **Discuss Together**

What do you feel or think as you study these biblical roles?

What can unmarried people learn from this?

As a husband, what helps you feel respected? As a wife, what helps you feel loved?

Have you discovered which love language makes your spouse feel loved? (Acts of service, thoughtful gifts, time together, words of affirmation, physical affection)

What works to help your relationship be spiritually 'rooted in Christ?' (actions, attitudes, habits)



## **Pray**

- for one another's marriage including their influence
- for the relationships of the people in your world
- for Micah House kids and leaders
- for the turmoil in our world



## **Apply It This Week**

Ask a person in your life about their love language.