

EPHESIANS

FINDING AND LIVING OUT OUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST



Part 6: Give Up

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Scripture: Ephesians 5:21-33

3 Levels of Relationships

1. _____
 - a. Am I _____?
 - b. _____ commitment
2. _____
 - a. What can I _____ you?
 - b. _____ commitment
3. _____
 - a. What can I _____ you?
 - b. _____ commitment

Christian marriage is a _____ relationship.

Bottom Line:

Christian marriage is a sacrificial _____ to the _____ of the _____.

Talk It Over

1. What's one idea from the message that really stood out to you? Why did this idea grab your attention?
2. How is marriage viewed in the culture today? How has that view changed over the last 50 years? Why has it changed in these ways?
3. What was your view of marriage as a child? Did you have adults with strong marriages in your life as role models? How has that affected your view of marriage as an adult?
4. Chuck spoke of three levels of relationships. What were they, and how would you describe each one? What are some dangers of bringing a consumer or a contract mindset into a marriage?
5. Ephesians 5:21 describes the biblical concept of mutual submission. In your own words, explain what it means and how it applies to the marriage (or any other) relationship.
6. Read Ephesians 5:22 & 25. Who do you think has been given the more difficult task—wives or husbands? Explain.
7. When teaching about marriage (in Ephesians 5:31 & Matthew 19:4-6) both Paul and Jesus went all the back to the creation account in Genesis as their reference point. How/why is that significant today?