

Church, to Live is Christ

21 For to me, to live is Christ.

Philippians 1:21 NKJV

FCI Faith Group Program

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1 PETER 3 – GRACE SUPPLY FOR MARRIAGE

- Let us continue to receive supply by the hearing of faith: **1 Peter 2:21-25**
 - Verse 23 – commit yourself to God; we died to sins when we believed in Jesus.
 - Verse 25 – like sheep going astray – *dati 'yun na tayo ay tupang ligaw*.
- Jesus serves us with His life, He is our example as He lives in us.
- Jesus laid His life for us, the church. And this gives us the power to lay our lives, submit to each other.
- **1 John 3:16** – He laid down His life for us. *Ang tunay na pag-ibig, hanggang kamatayan*.
- We then lay our lives for the brethren by submitting to one another, respecting each other.
- This is now the prescription, the life that suits us *or bagay sa atin*: **1 Peter 3:1-6**
 - Verse 1 – wife, submit to your own husband.
 - By our conduct – *mapapanalo natin ang asawa natin* when they observe our chaste conduct.
 - Verse 3 – adornment is good, but it should not be merely outward.
 - Verse 4 – the hidden person of the heart is your spirit man, *dyan nanggagaling ang tunay na kagandahan mo* – incorruptible (*hindi nabubulok o humuhulas*).
 - The incorruptible beauty of a gentle, quiet spirit – The Holy Spirit is a gentle quiet spirit.
 - Even Sarah called Abraham “lord.”
- Prescriptions, still the Word of God that is a lamp unto our feet and a light to our path. Through this, you will avoid trial and error.
- **1. Wife, submit to your own husband.**
- Not to all males. *Hindi sa lahat ng kalalakhian*.
- You can be a leader at work or in your business and still submit to your own husband.
- Submission means a life of humility. And when we are humble, grace is always available.
- When you submit to your husband, they eventually give in to you.
- Submission is a good word. It is a way of life. When you say, “Amen,” you submit to the Lord.
- *Paano kung hindi ka-submit-submit ang asawa ko? Hindi mo sagot ang asawa mo, sagot mo lang ang part mo.*
- When we are submissive, humble, *may grace. Pag proud, walang grace.*
- **Philippians 2:5-9** – Jesus submitted even though He was equal to God. He submitted to God. Submitting means humbling Himself and becoming a bondservant. Therefore, what happened? God exalted Jesus.
- Wife, you are equal to your husband, but you choose to submit because you see Christ as your example. *Hindi pinipilit kundi pinipili*. God will exalt you, promote you.
- When you are humble and not proud, *may kalakip na grace ang iyong pag-submit*.
- Let this mind be in you. Submission is not bad. Submission is humility unto God and God exalts the humble. There is grace for this, *sukdulang biyaya* and the Lord will exalt you.
- A woman is not inferior to the male but equal to her husband in the sight of God.
- Genesis says: A woman is comparable helper.
- Comparable means “equal” helper. The man is a helper to her, and she is equally a helper to the man.
- The reason or purpose for marriage is to have a partner in life. *Katuwang sa buhay mo na makakatulong sa yo.*
- Pets do not count as a partner in life. It will still make you feel alone. Adam had all the animals, but he did not find a suitable or comparable helper for him.

- God want you to have an equal partner in life. You need an opposite sex partner.
- Life is meant to be shared. In Genesis, God said – multiply, fill the earth, subdue it.
- Man and woman is the best partnership as God designed it.
- As a Father, He wants the best for you and me. *Yung makakasama mo para makatulong mo sa buhay.*
- *Bakit si Jesus hindi nag-asawa?* Jesus did not need help, He is perfect. He had a mission, and He was capable of fulfilling it. But you and I, we need a helper. And that is your spouse.
- It is God's idea for man and woman to get married. Unless you have a gift of celibacy which is no desire to get married.
- By the grace of God, make your marriage beautiful.
- Singles, *wag maghanap ng perfect. Walang perfect! At wag maging choosy.*
- *Si Jesus lang ang perfect* so do not look for perfection in people.
- Marriage is the best place to walk in love.
- Jesus is our bridegroom. He did not live for our perfection. But His love made us perfect. We have been made perfect by the perfect sacrifice of Jesus.
- Yes, we submit to one another because of the lordship of Jesus Christ but in marriage, highlighted *ang submission ng wife sa husband nya.*
- God made men. God knows the good effect of submission to the husbands. They rise up as leaders and providers. It brings motivation to them.
- *Sa pagpili ng asawa, hindi pala yung gwapo or maganda or sexy or macho! Kundi yung makakatuwang mo sa buhay.* The purpose of marriage is *may katuwang ka sa buhay na binigay sa iyo ng Diyos.*
- If *may* disappointments *sa* marriage, it is because *walang perfect na* marriage.
- Be grateful! Appreciate your marriage and spouse already and be fulfilled. You achieved by the grace of God.
- He/she might not be good in all things but find the good thing he/she does. *Saan mo ba siya katuwang?* Appreciate *mo kung saan sya magaling or saan sya nagko-contribute.*
- *Ang asawa mo, hindi siya ang everything mo.* Jesus is your everything, your provider, your joy of life.
- *Huwag mong i-source lahat ng needs mo sa marriage mo.* That is wrong expectation.
- Only Jesus can fulfill all your needs. Only Jesus can satisfy.
- Our joy, provision, happiness come from the Lord not our spouse.
- Singles, get into marriage with eyes open wide not with wrong expectations.
- The problem now is delay of marriages, delay of families; death of marriages, death of families. It goes contrary to the Word of God (multiply, fill the earth, and subdue it).
- God's best for you is marriage.
- How about **1 Corinthians 13**? It is a perfect list of what Perfect Love is and it is the description of God's love, not the qualification of your spouse to be.
- Marriage is a life of acceptance, adjustment, and lots of understanding and patience. But it is worth it.
- Marriage is beautiful by the grace of God if you will allow the Word of God to instruct you and walk in the Spirit. Don't you worry as you hear and hear the Word of God, faith rises out and receives grace that supplies the Spirit and workings of miracles.
- *Hindi mawawala ang problema sa marriage pero kapag nalampasan ninyo ang mga problema, you will see how beautiful marriage is by the grace of God.*
- **2. Chaste conduct with fear of the Lord may win over your husband**
- Pure conduct wins over. But also "Chaste" is Greek word *hagnos*. It means: exciting reverence, venerable, sacred, pure.
- *Wives, dapat excited pa rin kayo!* Find something good to praise your husband, it is also being respectful to your husband.
- **3. Inner beauty is more powerful than outer beauty**
- The incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit which is very precious in the sight of God.
- Just submit, have chaste conduct, and a gentle and quiet spirit.
- Let the Holy Spirit in you be seen (He is a gentle and quiet spirit) because you are submitting to the Word of God.
- God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble.

- Pride leads the list of things that God despises. "These six things the LORD hates, yes, seven are an abomination to Him: #1 A proud look, a lying tongue." (**Proverbs 6:16-17**).
- Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. (**Proverbs 16:18**).
- The pride of your heart has deceived you. (**Obadiah v. 3**)
- When pride comes, then comes shame. (**Proverbs 11:2**)
- Instead of pride, submission is the prescription for us because *ayaw ni Lord mangyari sa atin ang* destruction, failure, deception, and shame.
- God gives grace to the humble. And besides, you submit to your husband as you submit to the Lord. You do it because of the Lord. See yourself submitting as unto the Lord.

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