

Believer-Priests in the Home¹

1 Peter 3:1–7

Where the problems began and the results in the marriage relationship (Genesis 3:1-19)

To the woman he said, “I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you.” **Genesis 3:16**

A word to wives about where your power comes from.

- ¹ Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands,
so that even if some do not obey the word,
they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives,
² when they see your respectful and pure conduct.

**ONLY A FREE PERSON
CAN SUBJECT HERSELF.**

- ³ Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear—

⁴ but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God’s sight is very precious.

- ⁵ For this is how the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves,
by submitting to their own husbands,
⁶ as Sarah obeyed Abraham,
calling him lord.

And you are her children,
if you do good and do not fear anything that is frightening.

A word to the husbands about what your power is for.

- ⁷ Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way,
showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel,
since they are heirs with you of the grace of life,
so that your prayers may not be hindered.

**POWER IS NEVER, EVER GIVEN,
IN ANY SITUATION, TO SIMPLY
SERVE OURSELVES.**

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