Christ and His Church Is The Pattern for Marriage – Part 1 Sierra Baptist Church AM – 02-18-2018 Ephesians 5:22-26

Follow Christ's Pattern for Marriage. v. 22, 31-32

Follow Christ's Pattern for Submission. v. 22-24

"I will speak no more with you, for the ruler of the world is coming, and he has nothing in Me; but so that the world may know that I love the Father, I do exactly as the Father commanded Me. Get up and let us go from here." John 14:30-31 NASB

But He gives a greater grace. Therefore it says,"God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble." Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. James 4:6-7 NASB

Follow Christ's Pattern of Self-giving Love. 25, 28, 33

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma. Ephesians 5:1-2 NASB

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for our sins so that He might rescue us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forevermore. Amen. Galatians 1:2-5 NASB

"Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among whom Holy spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood, Acts 20:28 NASB Follow Christ's Pattern of Setting Apart As Holy. v. 26

But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared, He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by Holy Spirit, whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the hope of of eternal life. Titus 3:4-7 NASB

Do you not know that the unjust will not inherit God's kingdom? Do not be deceived: no sexually immoral people, idolaters, adulterers, male prostitutes, homosexuals, thieves, greedy people, drunkards, , revilers, or swindlers will inherit God's kingdom. Some of you were like this; but you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 HCSB

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. 1 Peter 3:7 ESV