

FIRST PETER

The Christian's Life in Exile —Part 16

3:1-6— “Honorable Wives”—July 12, 2015

“Let the wife make the husband glad to come home, and let him make her sorry to see him leave.”—Martin Luther

The Christian's Life in Relation to God—1 Peter 1:13-2:3

The Christian's Position in the People of God—1 Peter 2:4-10

The Christian's Obligations as the People of God—1 Peter 2:11-3:12

- Living Honorable and Missional Lives—1 Peter 2:11-12
- Submitting to Governing Authorities—1 Peter 2:13-1
- The Duty of Slaves & The Example of Christ—1 Peter 2:18-25

The Duty of Wives—1 Peter 3:1-6

The Purpose of Marriage:

Complementarianism:

“¹Likewise, 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, ²when they see your respectful and pure conduct.”

“Likewise, wives, be subject...”

⇒ The language of the passage makes clear that this command is given to _____ specifically rather than to women in general.

“...respectful and pure conduct...”

- This verse anticipates that the godly conduct of their wives is potentially the _____ by which God will bring some husbands to faith.

Outer or Inner Beauty?

“³Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear—⁴but 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.”

The Bible and Outer Beauty:

The Superiority of Inner Beauty:

“...the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit...”

- The beauty of a godly woman is not lessened by the passage of _____.

“...in God's sight is very precious.”

- A godly wife is concerned primarily with how she is viewed by _____ and secondarily how she is viewed by her _____.

The Godly Wives of Scripture:

“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.”

Holiness and Hope:

The example of Sarah:

Daughters of Sarah

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

What is Peter doing in this passage?

Peter wants wives to find their _____ in Christ who is their hope of salvation.

Peter wants wives to love and serve their husbands as they themselves have been loved and served so well by _____.