I. The Call to Submission–The role of the wife is to be s_________________ to her ______________________.

*Subordination does not imply i_________________.

II. The Challenge of Submission – to meet it you need g______________. Submitting is hard because:

1. You are a ________________.
2. Your ___________________ is a sinner

*Respect is possible when done for the ________sake.

III. The Way of Submission

A. Obedience–The final decision belongs with the h______________.

1. Subtle Ways of Insubordination
   a. Just don’t ________________.
2. Hostile or cold attitude

B. Respect–Some common forms of disrespect are:

1. Berate before ____________.
2. Excessive c______________.
3. Despising his sexuality.
Scripture References:

**Ephesians 5:21-33** be subject to one another in the fear of Christ. **22** Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord. **23** For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body. **24** But as the church is subject to Christ, so also the wives ought to be to their husbands in everything. **25** Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, **26** so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word. **27** that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless. **28** So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself; **29** for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ also does the church, **30** because we are members of His body. **31** For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. **32** This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church. **33** Nevertheless, each individual among you also is to love his own wife even as himself, and the wife must see to it that she respects her husband.

**Ephesians 6:1** Children, obey your parents in the Lord.

**John 10:30** I And the Father are One.

**I Corinthians 11:3** I want you to understand that Christ is the head of every man, and the man is the head of a woman, and God is the head of Christ.

**Luke 2:51** He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and He continued in subjection to them; and His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

**John 1:3** All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being.

**Romans 8:7** The mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so.

**Ephesians 5:18c** Be filled with the Spirit.

**Ephesians 6:1** Children, obey your parents in the Lord.

**Ephesians 6:4** Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

**Ephesians 6:5** Slaves, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh.

**Ephesians 6:9** Masters, do the same things to them, and give up threatening, knowing that both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no partiality with Him.

**I Peter 3:1-2** You wives, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any of them are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of their wives, **2** as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior.

**I Peter 2:13** Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every human institution, whether to a king as the one in authority.

**I Peter 2:18-19** Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable. **19** For this finds favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a person bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly.