Scripture References:

Ephesians 5:22-23a Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife.

Ephesians 5:25-33 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, 26so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, 27that 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. 28So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself; 29for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ also does the church, 30because we are members of His body. 31For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. 32This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church. 33Nevertheless, 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.

Colossians 3:19a Husbands love your wives.

Ephesians 2:1 You were dead in your trespasses and sins.

1 Peter 3:7 You husbands in the same way, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with someone weaker, since she is a woman; and show her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.

Sunday, October 7, 2012

THE GENDER PUZZLE, PART 5:

"MEN, WOMEN, AND MARRIAGE, PART 2"

I. The Role and Responsibility of the husband is to l__________.

II. The meaning of “love.”

III. The position of a husband’s love—he is to love his wife from the place of h______________.

IV. The quality of a husband’s love—he is to love his wife as C__________.

V. The characteristics of a husband’s love
   1. ____________
   2. ____________
   3. ____________

VI. Practical ways to express love
   1. ____________
   2. ____________
   3. ____________
   A. S__________ well of her before others.
   B. Give her ____________ and authority in her distinctive roles in the home.
   C. Respect what she says and ____________.