

## BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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### THE LORD'S DAY

June 26, 2016 8:30 & 10:15 AM

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude Carol Dammann  
Piano Wendy Baldwin  
Announcements Ron Mock

### MEDITATION

Ephesians 5:22-25 opposite page

Hymn 813	“Glory Be to the Father”	
Scripture Reading and Prayer		Psalm 100
Hymn 541	“The Joy of the Lord”	
Pastoral Prayer		
Hymn 429	“They’ll Know We Are Christians”	
Message	“Jesus Prays for His Disciples”	
	John 17:6-19	Pastor Cal VanderMey
Hymn 56	“To God Be the Glory”	Benediction

### THE MINISTRY OF MISSION

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.

### THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Youth Group Monday 6:30-8pm. Ages 8 and up  
Prayer meeting Monday at 7pm  
No Bible study Tuesday

No Precept class on Tuesday with Wendy Baldwin at 6:30pm  
VBS meeting Wednesday at 6:30pm

Adult Bible study Friday at 7pm - John Woodell leading  
Sunday messages are available online, CD or e-mail. See Bill Schultz

\*The offering box is located in the back of the sanctuary\*

BFC Multipurpose/Utility Building \$31,400 to build-received \$17,490

Missions Corner: Looking for “Soft Toothbrushes” to go with the  
**111,208 tubes of toothpaste! Wow!**

See Louise Bellefeuille and Lois Seidel

Bible Study at Kathy Yoshida’s home Wed. July 6, 9:30-11:30am on  
“IGNITE YOUR PASSION FOR GOD see Kathy or Becky Shearer  
Church Camp at Circle C is June 27-July2 – Bus leaves at 8am sharp!

Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church and gave Himself for it.

The case of the Greek noun “wives” is such that it is really “the wives” meaning that all wives are to follow this instruction. The same is true of “the husbands” and the rest. Wives in this case are to subordinate themselves to their husbands in a manner becoming their position as wives. To state that man is the head of the woman, the Apostle Paul was just reaffirming what was accepted and recognized. Paul like Peter in I Peter 3:7 gives instruction about the conduct of wives. Paul illustrates the relationship of husband as head of the wife by using Christ and his relationship to the church. Christ has the best interest of the church at heart, and so the thought is that the husband should have the best interest of the wife at heart. Out of love and respect for that kind of love, the church in verse 24 subjects itself to Christ, and so should the wives subject themselves to the husband in like manner. Basically, this passage is saying that husbands must keep on loving their wives, or "make a habit of" loving your wives. The love of the husband for the wife is to be the continuous abiding habitual emotion, and it is not to be interrupted by things or emotions. The verb for love is the same as that used of the love of God--*agapao* in Greek. God put such value on mankind that even when we were hopelessly bound by sin, God gave His Son as the price of redemption. That is sacrificial love.

That needs to be said in order to understand Paul's admonition to husbands to love their wives as Christ loves the church. How did Christ love the Church? He gave up His own welfare and interests and totally sacrificed them in order to provide redemption for the Church.

If husbands showed that agape love as Christ demonstrated, then the wives would have no trouble keeping the demands of verses 22-24.