

**Turning Points- How can we get along?
1 Peter 3:1-7**

How does God restore our marriages and families from a state of rebellion to intimate partnership?

Marriage and family restoration is possible when both spouses represent Christ mutually submitting to God in their God-given roles.

I. The role of wives: serving their husbands as they would their Lord 1 Peter 3:1-6.

- a. Case: an irresistible testimony that God uses to rescue the unbelieving husband 3:1-2.
- b. Their role: serving their husband as they would their Lord through their character and conduct- respectful, pure, inside beauty over outside appearance.

II. The role of the husband: loving their wives as their Lord would 1 Peter 3:7.

- a. Case: a countercultural, heavenly wisdom mindset that uses power to bestow honor on those who are under authority.
- b. Their role: loving their wives as their Lord would by becoming the provider (showing honor), protector (weaker vessel), and pastor (heirs of the grace of life, prayers) of their wives.

**The restoration of our marriage begins
when we ask Christ to replace
our stubbornness with his humility**

- 1. If you are a wife: How well are you representing Christ in your marriage by the way you serve your husband as you serve the Lord?**
- 2. If you are a husband: What are you specifically doing to love your wife as her protector, provider and pastor to show her your love her as Christ would?**
- 3. If you are single: check out Paul's instruction on how you can maximize this season of your life for the Lord in 1 Corinthians 7.**