

## Counter-Cultural: The Christian Household

### 1 Peter 3:1-7

- I. A Note About Context
  - A. This section immediately follows instruction regarding suffering
  - B. The first main point instructs wives regarding husbands that are “disobedient to the word”
  - C. The second main point concerning husbands toward wives includes the phrase “in the same way”
  - D. The chief instruction given here is likely to believing spouses married to unbelieving spouses, with significant application being made to households including two redeemed spouses.
- II. The Wife and Submission (1-6)
  - A. Submission does not mean nor imply “inferiority”
  - B. Submission applies in believing and unbelieving contexts
  - C. How should it look?
  - D. Example: Sarah to Abraham
- III. The Understanding Husband (7)
  - A. Live with her as someone “weaker”
  - B. What should husbands do?
  - C. The man who does not demonstrate honor and worth to his wife does not show real honor or worth to God
  - D. The result of proper honoring of the wife – an unhindered spiritual existence