

Sermon Notes: Gospel-Shaped Marriage

1. <u>Problem</u>.

2. Perspective.

• In historic context, this was the most <u>liberating</u> thing anyone had ever said about marriage, and particularly the woman's role in marriage.

3. Postures.

- a. A wife is to honor her husband with <u>humble deference</u>.
- b. A husband is to honor his wife with attentive care.

4. Priorities.

- a. Seek to glorify God and make him attractive to others through your marriage.
- b. Seek the <u>approval</u> of God.
- c. Seek to honor your spouse.

Conclusion: The Gospel creates husbands and wives who honor one another for Christ's sake.



Gospel Applications: Gospel-Shaped Marriage

- 1. What are some qualities of a good marriage according to a traditional culture? What are some qualities of a good marriage according to a progressive culture?
- 2. What are some qualities of a biblical marriage? How does a biblical marriage look similar to or different from #1?
- 3. What are some common reasons people get married? What are their goals for marriage or purposes in marriage?
- 4. How is #3 directly responsible for the deep heartache and frustrations so many people experience in marriage?
- 5. How is the context of 1 Peter 3:1-7 different than what you maybe expected? How is this text more liberating and empowering than how it sounds to modern readers?
- 6. In what ways are the roles of husbands and wives similar? In what ways are they different? What do you make of these differences?
- 7. What are some culturally-appropriate ways a wife can show that she respects/honors her husband today? What are some culturally-appropriate ways a husband can show that he honors and cares for his wife?
- 8. What are some practical ways a wife can honor a husband she disagrees with?
- 9. What are some practical ways a husband can better understand his wife?
- 10. What are some practical ways this text is relevant to singles?
- 11. What one thing will you change in response to this message?