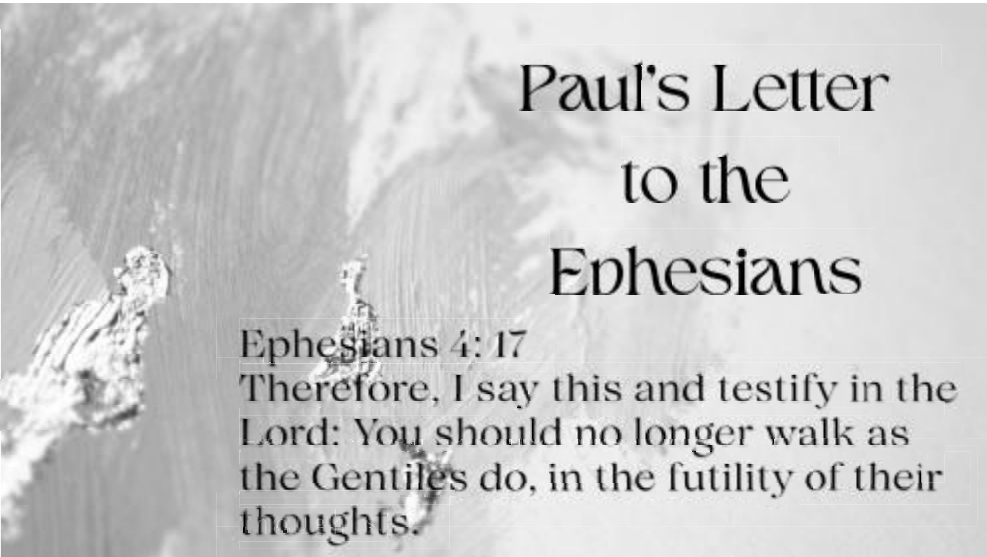




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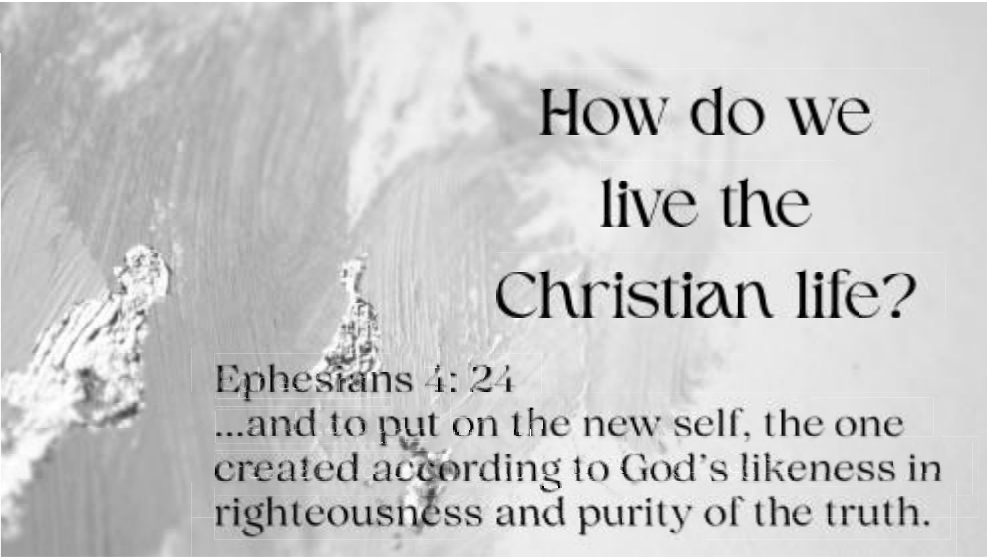
Ephesians 5:21 - 6:9



Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

Ephesians 4:17

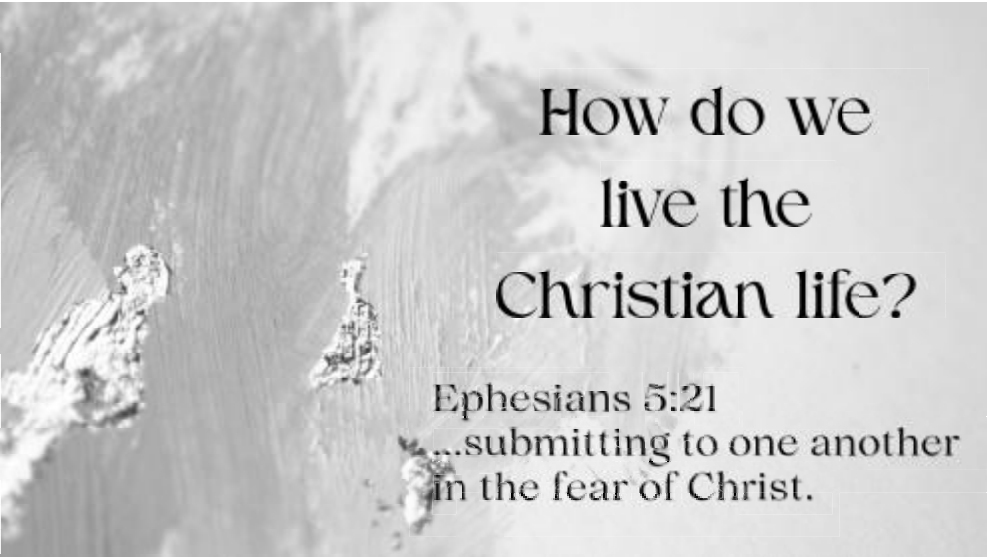
Therefore, I say this and testify in the Lord: You should no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thoughts.



How do we live the Christian life?

Ephesians 4:24

...and to put on the new self, the one created according to God's likeness in righteousness and purity of the truth.

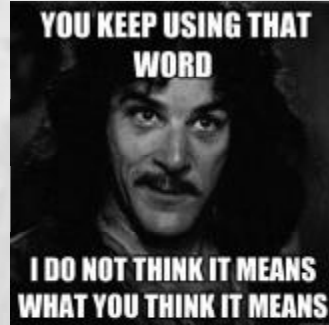


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Ephesians 5:21

...submitting to one another in the fear of Christ.

Submit.



Submit:

From the Greek: hupotassó

meaning "to arrange oneself under" or "to place under" someone else's guidance, originally used in military contexts to describe troops arranged under a leader for effective cooperation.

Ephesians 5:24

Wives, to your husbands as to the Lord.



Why Submit?

- Part of Christian obedience
- Pattern of creation
- Illustration of Christ and church

Why Love?

- Agape: self sacrificial love
- Pattern of Jesus Christ's love for church
- Illustration of Christ and church

What about Singles?

- Submission is for everyone.
- Eph 5:21 - submit one to another
- Rom 13:1 - to governing authorities
- Heb 13:17 - spiritual leaders

Ephesians 6:1

Children, obey your parents in the Lord,
because this is right.



Ephesians 6:5

Slaves, obey your human masters with fear and
trembling, in the sincerity of your heart,
as you would Christ.



When We Submit

Our submission is
TO CHRIST
THROUGH CHRIST
BECAUSE OF CHRIST

Complementarian vs. Egalitarian

Equal in worth, different roles?
OR
Equal in worth and roles?

Lessons

- Submission should be part of a believer's life.
- Pray for God to change your heart.
- Pray for those in authority over you.
- Be mindful of the picture of Christ that you are presenting.