

## “Mutual Submission” – Sermon Notes

May 12, 2024 – Ephesians 5:21-33 – series: The Faithful One

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Mutual Submission in my own words:

### Questions for reflection:

- Submission allows others to make decisions. Have you done this in the last week?
- Submitting sometimes means admitting when we are wrong. Have you done this recently? Have you said the words, “Sorry” or “Forgive” recently?
- Do you submit to the wisdom of others?

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1. Ephesians 5 prescribes “mutual submission” as the foundation for every Christian relationship, especially marriage. How would you describe mutual submission from your own life?
  2. Warren Wiersbe says: “The root of most marital problems is sin, and the root of all sin is selfishness. Submission to Christ and to one another is the only way to overcome selfishness, for when we submit, the Holy Spirit can fill us and enable us to love one another in a sacrificial, sanctifying, satisfying way—the way Christ loves the church.”
  3. To submit is to allow others to speak into your life. Please share a time when you saw God work in this way?
  4. Pastor Eric said one definition of “submission” is Philippians 2:3. Read it and share a time when you did this. What was it like? How did it affect you?
  5. Galatians 5:13 gives another view on this. Submission is an antidote to what? ...while we do what? Can you think of an example of this in life?
  6. The world teaches us to love things and use people Jesus taught us to love people and use things. How can we do this?
- ➔ This week, pray for each other’s relationships, in whatever they ask for.

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