



# ENGAGE GUIDE

**SUNDAY'S SERMON // SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20**  
**EPHESIANS 5:21-33 // SUBMIT... THE WORD NO ONE WANTS TO APPLY**

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

*Use these questions in your community (family, life group, ABF, etc.) to apply this sermon in your life.*

1. Read Ephesians 5:21-33. The word "submit" has become a bit of a dirty word in culture today. Be honest, what are your initial reactions and emotions to the word submit or the idea that you are called to submit to others?
2. Ephesians 5:1-2 calls us to follow the example of Christ and verse 5:21 exhorts us all to submit to each other. In John 13:3-16 Jesus gets down on his hands and knees and very humbly serves the ones who submit to him. How do we follow Christ's example of loving and serving each other, both those who we are submitting to and those who are submitting to us? What does mutual submission look like for us in this Life Group?
3. Headship is not about superiority or inferiority, but about responsibility. What are the responsibilities of those who have been given headship? Look to verse 27 for direction.
4. Submission is beautiful when done by the way of Christ. The world may not agree. Is there someone in your life (a parent, boss, spouse, etc.) who you have not shown humble submission to because they have not lead you well? How can you submit to their leadership in a way that ultimately glorifies Christ?
5. Pray for each other that we will humbly submit to those leading us and lovingly serve those submitting to us.

**NEXT SUNDAY // SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27**  
**EPHESIANS 6:1-4**

## **SCRIPTURE: READING ABOUT GOD**

*Take time to read and become familiar with this passage before hearing it preached next Sunday.*

- What words were used/repeated/emphasized in this passage?
- Where else in Scripture are these words described/illustrated?
- How does this passage describe God?
- In your own words, summarize this passage, trying to identify the main theme.

## **PRAYER: COMMUNICATING WITH GOD**

*Allow your responses to these questions to affect your prayers this week for...*

- Yourself
- The Church
- Your Oikos