



Mutual Duties of Husbands and Wives - Part 2

Week 4 Discussion Guide

Synopsis

In this message we consider the responsibility of a husband and wife to concern themselves with their spouse's salvation and sanctification. This includes counsel for men who are married to unbelieving wives. It also includes encouragement and instruction for: edifying each other in Christ, rooting out and preventing sin in one another, and praying for one another with eager anticipation.

Questions for Preparation Before the Message

1. Make a short list of “mutual duties” that husbands and wives ought to both perform for the other person within a healthy marriage.
2. Of the three mutual duties discussed today (Matrimonial unity, chastity, and love and peace), which one feels the most challenging to you, and why?
3. What are some existing practical ways that you and your wife are not experiencing unity in your marriage?
4. Look back to the last conflict you had with your wife. Where did excel as a godly man in navigating that discussion? Where might there have been areas of improvement? (Do not only consider your outward actions, but consider your mind and heart as well).

Questions for Reflection After the Message

1. What are ways that you have personally experienced or witnessed a godly marriage? What stuck out to you from those examples.



2. This message described a husband and a wife pushing each other towards rooting out sin in their own lives and fostering a household of godliness. Where are you doing this well? Where can you grow?

3. Prayer is one of a husband's greatest tools in growing together in godliness with his wife. How consistent and intentional is your prayer life with your wife? What barriers are keeping you from pushing into this discipline further?

Main Idea of Message

Healthy marriages prioritize each other's salvation and sanctification in Christ.

Outline of Message

1. Leading an unbelieving spouse to Christ
2. Edifying one another
3. Confronting and hindering sin in one another
 1. Keeping from temptation
 2. Confronting sin
4. Mutual Prayer
 1. Prayer with one another
 2. Prayer for one another