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"HOUSEHOLD CODES"

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TEXT: Ephesians 5:22-6:4

SERIES PURPOSE: This series is a call to pursue spiritual maturity as part of our church's desire to see spiritually healthy households in Angelina County.

INTRODUCTORY REMARK: The topic of today's message is both unpopular and often misunderstood because of our growing disdain for the concept of submitting to authority.

Understanding the Passage:

1) God has ordained certain roles for the home (5:22, 25, 6:1).

NOTE: These roles do not negate the fact that men, women, and children are equal in creation and redemption.

2) Living within God's ordained roles is an act of worship.

a) A wife who submits to the authority of her husband illustrates the church's submission to Christ (5:22-24).

b) A husband who puts his wife's well-being above his own illustrates Christ's love for the church (5:25-32).

c) A child who honors his/her parents learns to submit to the authority of God (6:1-3).

d) A parent who raises a child to fear the Lord will gain them as brothers/sisters in Christ (6:4).

3) Pastoral Advice about Application

a) Don't rationalize this passage away.

b) Don't weaponize this passage.

c) Do maximize the gifts of those in your household.

Passage for next week: Proverbs 27:6, 17

