

## A BETTER FOUNDATION

### A BETTER INVESTMENT

Ephesians 5:1-6:5

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#### 1. IT STARTS BY \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, be imitators of God, as dearly loved children, <sup>2</sup>and walk in love, as Christ also loved us and gave himself for us, a sacrificial and fragrant offering to God. Ephesians 5:1–2

...testing what is pleasing to the Lord. Ephesians 5:10

<sup>15</sup>Pay careful attention, then, to how you walk—not as unwise people but as wise—<sup>16</sup>making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Ephesians 5:15–16

#### 2. COMES THROUGH \_\_\_\_\_ SUBMISSION

<sup>21</sup>...submitting to one another in the fear of Christ. Ephesians 5:21

<sup>3</sup>Do nothing out of selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves. <sup>4</sup>Everyone should look not to his own interests, but rather to the interests of others. <sup>5</sup>Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus...  
Philippians 2:3–5

<sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself for her <sup>26</sup>to make her holy, cleansing her with the washing of water by the word. Ephesians 5:25–26

<sup>16</sup>This is how we have come to know love: He laid down his life for us. We should also lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.  
1 John 3:16

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord, <sup>23</sup>because the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church. He is the Savior of the body. Ephesians 5:22–23

<sup>10</sup>Who can find a wife of noble character? She is far more precious than jewels. <sup>11</sup>The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will not lack anything good. <sup>12</sup>She rewards him with good, not evil, all the days of her life. Proverbs 31:10–12

<sup>33</sup>To sum up, each one of you is to love his wife as himself, and the wife is to respect her husband. Ephesians 5:33

#### 3. IT'S EXPERIENCED THROUGH RECOGNITION OF \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup>Children, obey your parents in the Lord, because this is right.

<sup>2</sup>**Honor your father and mother**, which is the first commandment with a promise, <sup>3</sup>**so that it may go well with you and that you may have a long life in the land.** <sup>4</sup>Fathers, don't stir up anger in your children, but bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. Ephesians 6:1–4

<sup>5</sup>Slaves, obey your human masters with fear and trembling, in the sincerity of your heart, as you would Christ. Ephesians 6:5

<sup>9</sup>If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.  
<sup>10</sup>One believes with the heart, resulting in righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, resulting in salvation.  
Romans 10:9–10