A Worthy Life 9-20-20

Series Verse:

"Live a life worthy of the calling you have received."

Ephesians 4:1 (NIV)

Week 14: Worthy Family Relationships

1. Setting a relational standard: Submission

"Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ."

Ephesians 5:21 (NIV)

***Submit**: "a attitude of giving in,

cooperating, assuming responsibility, and carrying a burden".

2. The Importance of ______

"This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church."

Ephesians 5:32 (NIV)

* Utmost _____.

* Mystery: Only ______. can do it.

2. Wives

"Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything."

Ephesians 5:22-24 (NIV)

A. As to the Lord.

B. What "everything" is:

"Wives, in the same way be submissive to your husbands so that, if any of them do not believe the word, they may be won over without words by the behavior of their wives, ² when they see the purity and reverence of your lives,"

1 Peter 3:1-2 (NIV)

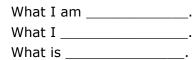
3.

"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶ to make her holv, cleansing her bv the washing with water through the word, ²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holv and blameless,"

Ephesians 5:25-27 (NIV)

A. As Christ loved (last week):

* What sacrifice gives away:



- B. For a ______.
- C. Golden rule

"In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.²⁹ After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church— 30 for we are members of his body. ³¹ "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.

Ephesians 5:28-31 (NIV)

4. Bottom Line: _____ & .

"This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church. ³³ However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband."

Ephesians 5:32-33 (NIV)