



## The Spirit-Filled Marriage

### Ephesians 5:22-33

- 1) Marriage: a picture of Christ on the cross
- 2) Filled with the Spirit... *submitting* to God (5:18-33)
  - a) Wives *respecting* their husbands as their head (22-24, 33)
  - b) Husbands *loving* their wives as Christ loved, as their own bodies (25-33)
    - i) Gave Himself for believers
    - ii) Made believers holy
    - iii) Cleansed believers with the truth
    - iv) Will present the church to Himself blameless
- 3) Husbands *love* your wives
  - a) Not bullying or oppressing
  - b) Encourage her God-given gifting & talents
  - c) Seek her wisdom; listen to her
  - d) Promote her spiritual growth
  - e) Protect her from hindrances to femininity
  - f) Be respectable!
- 4) Wives *respect* your husbands
  - a) When you submit, you obey Christ
  - b) God has delegated to them His authority in your home