

**“Conduct In Marriage”**  
(#12 in the “*Practical Preaching From The Pen Of Peter*” series)

I Peter 3:1-7

(I Peter 1:15 – “***But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;***”)

- I. The duty of the wife (I Peter 3:1-6)
- a. A submission to their husbands
- i. The \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 1a): The wife should lovingly, cheerfully, and willingly \_\_\_\_\_ herself to God’s ordained chain-of-authority within the marriage/family. She should acknowledge her husband as the \_\_\_\_\_ of the family. (Ephesians 5:22 – “***Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.***”)
- i. This applies whether or not the husband is \_\_\_\_\_.
- ii. The \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 1b-2): If a wife has an unsaved husband that will not listen to the preaching of the Gospel, then her outward \_\_\_\_\_ should be such that it might draw Him to Christ through its example.
- b. A \_\_\_\_\_ focus
- i. The \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 3-4)
- i. First of all, understand that Peter here is ***NOT*** \_\_\_\_\_ women to fix their hair, wear jewelry or makeup, etc.
- ii. Rather, Peter is simply saying that they shouldn’t be \_\_\_\_\_ with their outward appearance- their \_\_\_\_\_ are more important! (Proverbs 31:30 – “***Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.***”)
- a. Beauty comes from \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_.
- ii. The \_\_\_\_\_
- i. A \_\_\_\_\_ example (vs. 5)
- ii. A \_\_\_\_\_ example (vs. 6): Abraham’s wife, Sarah.

- II. The duty of the husband (I Peter 3:7)
- a. God’s \_\_\_\_\_
- i. The \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 7a): Husbands have the greater responsibility- they are commanded to \_\_\_\_\_ their wives! (Ephesians 5:25, 28 – “***25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; ... 28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.***”)
- i. Remember- love is both a \_\_\_\_\_ and an \_\_\_\_\_!
- ii. The \_\_\_\_\_
- i. \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 7b): Husbands should be \_\_\_\_\_ of their wives.
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 7c): Husbands are to humbly put their wives and *their* needs \_\_\_\_\_!
- a. Her \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 7d): While the wife is not necessarily *spiritually/mentally* weaker, she is *physically* weaker/more delicate than her husband. Therefore, her husband should \_\_\_\_\_ her, \_\_\_\_\_ for her, etc.
- b. Her \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 7e): Spiritually speaking, God sees men and women as \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. God’s \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 7f): The husbands’ \_\_\_\_\_ lives (*both private and in conjunction with their wives/families*) will be affected if they don’t love and treat their wives the way that they should.

- a. Wives should consider themselves “*spiritual daughters*” of Sarah in this respect. They should exhibit the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to do what’s right in their marriage- no matter how difficult it might be or what the result might be.