



# *God's Design for Wives*

*Ephesians 5:15-33*



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- God's design for wives begins with submission to Jesus.
- God's design for wives includes partnership with your husband.

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What “submission” does **NOT** mean:

- You are inferior to your husband.
- You must do everything your husband says.
- You should tolerate destructive behavior.

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What “submission” means:

- You partner with your husband (fully engaged in the relationship).
- You partner with your husband (not meet someone else's stereotype).

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**Three Key Responsibilities:**

***Companionship***

**Jeff's Perspective**

***Guys, companionship is about time together  
and conversation – more than sex.***

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**Ann's Perspective**

***Ladies, learn to share your husband's interests.  
Give him "guy time" but balanced with  
time together.***

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***Guys, sexual fulfillment is a disciplined process.***

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***Ladies, sexual fulfillment is crucial to  
your husband.***



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***Respect***

**Jeff's Perspective**

***Guys, make it easier by being respectable.***

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## **Three Key Responsibilities:**

### ***Respect***

#### **Ann's Perspective**

***Ladies, a man's most important need  
is to be respected.***

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## Sexual fulfillment:

- Dismiss self-serving fantasies and live in reality.
- Solve medical, psychological, and spiritual problems.
- Focus on the needs of the other person, not your needs. Sacrifice to meet those needs (1 Cor. 7:3-5).





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