

# First Peter 2:21-25-3:1-7

- 2;13-17 instruction for everyone
- 2:18-20 instruction for slaves
- 2:21-25 **CHRIST'S EXAMPLE**
- 3:1-7 instructions for wives and husbands
- 3:8-12 instructions for everyone

2:21 – For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps.

1519 [e]	3778 [e]	1063 [e]	2564 [e]	3754 [e]	2532 [e]	5547 [e]	3958 [e]	5228 [e]	4771 [e]	4771 [e]			
Eis	touto	gar	eklēthēte	hoti	kai	Christos	ēpathen	hyper	hymōn	hymīn			
21	Εἰς	τοῦτο	γὰρ	<u>ἐκλήθητε</u>	,	ὅτι	καὶ	Χριστὸς	ἔπαθεν	ὑπὲρ	ὑμῶν	,	ὑμῖν
	To this	hereunto	for	you have been called	because	also	Christ	suffered	for	you	you		
	Prep	DPro-ANS	Conj	V-AIP-2P	Conj	Conj	N-NMS	V-AIA-3S	Prep	Pro-G2P	Pro-D2P		
	- <i>hupo</i> = "under"		- <i>hupo</i> = "under"				- <i>epi</i> = "upon", "after"						
	- <i>leipo</i> = "to leave"		- <i>gramma</i> = "writing", "letter"				- <i>akoloutheo</i> = "follow"						

5277 [e]	5261 [e]	2443 [e]	1872 [e]	3588 [e]	2487 [e]	846 [e]
hypolimpanōn	hypogrammon	hina	epakolouthēsēte	tois	ichnesin	autou
ὑπολιμπάνων	ὑπογραμμὸν	ἵνα	ἐπακολουθήσητε	τοῖς	ἵχνεσιν	αὐτοῦ :
leaving	an example	that	you should follow after	the	steps	of Him
V-PPA-NMS	N-AMS	Conj	V-ASA-2P	Art-DNP	N-DNP	Pro-GM3S

2:22 – He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth.

3739 [e]	266 [e]	3756 [e]	4160 [e]	3761 [e]	2147 [e]	1388 [e]	1722 [e]	3588 [e]	4750 [e]	846 [e]		
Hos	hamartian	ouk	epoiēsen	oude	heurethē	dolos	en	tō	stomati	autou		
22	Ὁς	ἁμαρτίαν	οὐκ	ἐποίησεν	,	οὐδὲ	εὑρέθη	δόλος	ἐν	τῷ	στόματι	αὐτοῦ .
	Who	sin	not	committed	neither	was found	trickery	in	the	mouth	of Him	
	RelPro-NMS	N-AFS	Adv	V-AIA-3S	Conj	V-AIP-3S	N-NMS	Prep	Art-DNS	N-DNS	Pro-GM3S	

2:23 – When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly.

3739 [e]	3058 [e]	3756 [e]	486 [e]	3958 [e]	3756 [e]	546 [e]	3860 [e]				
hos	loidoroumenos	ouk	anteloidorei	paschōn	ouk	ēpeilei	paredidou				
23	ὃς	λοιδορούμενος	,	οὐκ	ἀντελοιδορεῖ	;	πάσχων	οὐκ	ἠπειλεῖ	;	παρεδίδου
	Who	being reviled	not	reviled in return	suffering	not	threatened	He gave [Himself] over			
	RelPro-NMS	V-PPM/P-NMS	Adv	V-IIA-3S	V-PPA-NMS	Adv	V-IIA-3S	V-IIA-3S			

1161 [e]	3588 [e]	2919 [e]	1346 [e]
de	tō	krinonti	dikaiōs
δὲ	τῷ	κρίνοντι	δικαίως .
however	to Him	judging	justly
Conj	Art-DMS	V-PPA-DMS	Adv

2:24 – He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

3739 [e]	3588 [e]	266 [e]	1473 [e]	846 [e]	399 [e]	1722 [e]	3588 [e]	4983 [e]	846 [e]	1909 [e]
hos	tas	hamartias	hēmōn	autos	anēnenken	en	tō	sōmati	autou	epi
24 ὅς	τὰς	ἁμαρτίας	ἡμῶν	αὐτὸς	ἀνήνεγκεν	ἐν	τῷ	σώματι	αὐτοῦ	ἐπὶ
Who	the	sins	of us	Himself	bore	in	the	body	of Him	on
RelPro-NMS	Art-AFP	N-AFP	PPro-G1P	PPro-NM3S	V-A1A-3S	Prep	Art-DNS	N-DNS	PPro-GM3S	Prep

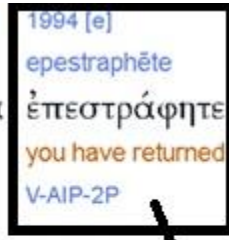
3588 [e]	3586 [e]	2443 [e]	3588 [e]	266 [e]	581 [e]	3588 [e]	1343 [e]	2198 [e]
to	xylon	hina	tais	hamartiais	apogenomenoi	tē	dikaiosynē	zēsōmen
τὸ	ξύλον ,	ἵνα ,	ταῖς	ἁμαρτίαις	ἀπογενόμενοι ,	τῇ	δικαιοσύνῃ	ζήσωμεν .
the	tree	so that	-	to sins	having been dead	-	to righteousness	we might live
Art-ANS	N-ANS	Conj	Art-DFP	N-DFP	V-APM-NMP	Art-DFS	N-DFS	V-ASA-1P

3739 [e]	3588 [e]	3468 [e]	2390 [e]
Hou	tō	mōlōpi	iathēte
Οὗ	τῷ	μώλωπι	ιάθητε .
By whose	-	wounds	you have been healed
RelPro-GMS	Art-DMS	N-DMS	V-AIP-2P

1. “bare” – ANAPHERO - is from a Greek word used in the LXX to refer to a priest carrying the sacrifice to the altar.
  - a. The High Priest Jesus carried our sins in his body as he moved to the cross
  - b. Wording is from Isaiah 53 quotation in 1 Peter 2:22 using Isaiah 53:4 and Isaiah 53:11-12 where PHERO is used 1x and ANAPHERO is used 2x
  - c. This word is used to refer to offering a sacrifice many places including Gen. 22:2; Ex. 24:5 and in the NT is Hebrews 7:27 and 9:28. Used before in 1 Peter 2:5
2. “dead to sin” means to be separated from sin just like death results in separation of life from the body or separation of the soul from the body. We are no longer bound to sin nor enslaved to it.
3. “his stripe” is singular in the Greek and refers to the bloody bruise that results from the blow that would rip open the skin to expose the muscle, bone and even bowels.
4. “you were healed” refers to the judicial act of healing your sins.
  - a. This is not meant to refer to “healing” of the body.
  - b. It means “to cure”, “to heal”, “to make whole.”
  - c. This same word is used to refer to “healing”:
    - i. heartaches in Luke 4:18
    - ii. Conduct in Hebrews 12:13
    - iii. Salvation in Matthew 13:15
5. In Isaiah 53 the nation of Israel is healed of sin
  - a. Applied at times to physical healing: Isaiah 29:18; 32:3-4; 35:5-6
  - b. Referred to spiritual healing in Jeremiah 3:22; 6:14; 8:11

2:25 – For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

1510 [e]	1063 [e]	5613 [e]	4263 [e]	4105 [e]	235 [e]	1994 [e]	3568 [e]	1909 [e]	3588 [e]
Ête	gar	hōs	probata	planōmenoi	alla	epestraphēte	nyn	epi	ton
25 Ἔτε	γὰρ	ὡς	πρόβατα	πλανώμενοι	, ἀλλὰ	ἐπεστράφητε	νῦν	ἐπὶ	τὸν
You were	for	like	sheep	going astray	but	you have returned	now	to	the
V-IIA-2P	Conj	Adv	N-NNP	V-PPM/P-NMP	Conj	V-AIP-2P	Adv	Prep	Art-AMS



**also "turning"  
used to refer to  
repentance**

4166 [e]	2532 [e]	1985 [e]	3588 [e]	5590 [e]	4771 [e]
Poimena	kai	Episkopon	tōn	psychōn	hymōn
Ποιμένα	καὶ	Ἐπίσκοπον	τῶν	ψυχῶν	ὑμῶν
Shepherd	and	Overseer	of the	souls	of you
N-AMS	Conj	N-AMS	Art-GFP	N-GFP	PPro-G2P

1. "bishop" is the word translated "visit" in 2:12
2. God is the overseer of our souls or the protector and keeper of our souls which may be mistreated by men
3. 1 Peter 2:24 used Isaiah 53:4-5
4. 1 Peter 2:25 adapts the next verse Isaiah 53:6
5. Shepherd and Overseer refers to:
  - a. Shepherd who protects and lays down life
  - b. Overseer who is the benevolent Ruler

First Peter 3:1 – Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives,

3668 [e]	3588 [e]	1135 [e]	5293 [e]	3588 [e]	2398 [e]	435 [e]	2443 [e]	2532 [e]	1487 [e]	5100 [e]	544 [e]	3588 [e]
Homoios	hai	gynaikes	hypotassomenai	tois	idiois	andrasin	hina	kai	ei	tines	apeithousin	to
1 Ὁμοίως	[αἱ]	γυναῖκες	, ὑποτασσόμεναι	τοῖς	ἰδίοις	ἀνδράσιν	, ἵνα	, καὶ	εἴ	τινες	ἀπειθοῦσιν	τῷ
Likewise	-	wives	be subject	to the	own	husbands	so that	even	if	any	are disobedient	to the
Adv	Art-VFP	N-VFP	V-PPM/P-NFP	Art-DMP	Adj-DMP	N-DMP	Conj	Conj	Conj	IPro-NMP	V-PIA-3P	Art-DMS

3056 [e]	1223 [e]	3588 [e]	3588 [e]	1135 [e]	391 [e]	427 [e]	3056 [e]	2770 [e]
logō	dia	tēs	tōn	gynaikōn	anastrophēs	aneu	logou	kerdēthēsontai
λόγῳ	, διὰ	τῆς	τῶν	γυναικῶν	ἀναστροφῆς	, ἄνευ	λόγου	, κερδηθήσονται
word	by	the	of the	wives	conduct	without	word	they will be won over
N-DMS	Prep	Art-GFS	Art-GFP	N-GFP	N-GFS	Prep	N-GMS	V-FIP-3P

1. Peter is addressing those who may find themselves free in Christ but under the authority of others who are not in Christ.
  - a. Government - First, members of the Kingdom of God must submit themselves to the authorities of this age (1Peter 2:13)
  - b. National Culture (Nation) - slaves must submit themselves to their saved and unsaved masters
  - c. Family - wives must submit themselves to their saved and unsaved husbands
  - d. Church - everyone live in harmony in the church (1 Peter 3:8)
2. God has established both the natural order and the spiritual order.
  - a. He is Lord over the temporal and the eternal.
  - b. The two worlds are both his creation and they work together in his plan.

- c. You cannot rebel against one and hope to be in line with the other.
3. Freedom in Christ does not mean you are free from:
- a. Government
  - b. Responsibility
  - c. Pains and pleasures of live
  - d. Morality

***“Live as free men, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as servants of God.”***

1 Peter 2:16

(“cover-up” refers to “veil or cloak”)

4. “submissive” is the same word used in reference to government and slavery.
5. Peter recognizes woman here as:
- a. people with volition
  - b. with the ability to think on their own
  - c. make decisions
  - d. as members of the church.
6. Peter:
- a. recognizes they have made a decision for Christ
  - b. recognizes and supports the fact that they have a different religion than their husbands
  - c. instructs them and encourages them to influence their husband’s decision for Christ
7. Peter also instructs them on:
- a. how to live as free women,
  - b. with their own volition
  - c. members of the body of Christ
  - d. in the human institution of marriage.
8. Women are not presented in scripture as inferior, but they are presented as under authority in marriage.
9. Women are reminded that they are not superior to their husbands because the wife is a believer while their husband is not.
10. Wives remain in the order of society just like:
- a. a believing slave remains obedient to his master
  - b. a citizen honors the government even though they are believers in Christ.
11. Women are not presented as second place to the father in the family, but as one of two equal parents:

***“Honor your father and mother”***

(Exodus 20:12 – the 5<sup>th</sup> commandment)

(Dt. 21:18; 27:16)

12. There is a time to obey God rather than government, so there is also a time to obey God instead of your husband.
- a. (Likewise, there is a time to obey the government instead of husband.)
  - b. If husband wants wife to be immoral, she should obey God.
  - c. If husband wants wife to be illegal, she should obey government.
  - d. Her husband is under the authority of both God and the government.

Institutions Established by God for the Well Being of Mankind	Scripture Reference	Purpose for being Institution
Individual Volition	Gn. 2:16 – “You are free. . .”	Individuals might respond to God and be judged
Marriage	Gn. 2:24 – “a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife.”	Foundation for Family
Family	Gn. 7:1 – “you and your whole family (Gn.6:18)	Foundation for Society
Government	Gn. 9:5,6 – “by man shall his blood be shed.”	Create and Maintain Peaceful Society
Nations	Gn. 11:8 – “the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth.”	So Societies might have volition to respond to God
Israel	Gn. 12:2 – “I will make you into a great nation.”	Preserve the truth of God’s revelation in the earth
Church	Matt. 16:18 – “I will build my church.”	Communicate to the kingdom’s of the world the truth of God’s eternal kingdom

3:2 – when they see your respectful and pure conduct.

2029 [e]                      3588 [e]   1722 [e]   5401 [e]   53 [e]                      391 [e]                      4771 [e]  
 epopteusantes            tēn            en            phobō    hagnēn    anastrophēn            hymōn  
 2 ἔποπτεύσαντες τὴν ἐν φόβῳ ἁγνῆν ἀναστροφὴν ὑμῶν ,  
 having witnessed    the            in            respect    pure            conduct            of you  
 V-APA-NMP                      Art-AFS    Prep            N-DMS    Adj-AFS    N-AFS                      PPro-G2P

3:3 – Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear—

3739 [e]   1510 [e]   3756 [e]   3588 [e]   1855 [e]   1708 [e]   2359 [e]   2532 [e]   4025 [e]   5553 [e]   2228 [e]   1745 [e]   2440 [e]   2889 [e]  
 hōn            estō            ouch    ho            exōthen    emplotēs    trichōn    kai    peritheseōs    chrysiōn    ē            endyseōs    himatīon    kosmos ,  
 3 ὧν ἔστω οὐχ ὁ ἔξωθεν ἐμπλοκῆς τριχῶν καὶ περιθέσεως χρυσίων , ἢ ἐνδύσεως ἱματίων κόσμος ,  
 whose            let it be    not            the            external    of braiding    of hair            and            putting around    of gold            or            putting on            of garments    adorning  
 RelPro-GFP    V-PMA-3S    Adv            Art-NMS    Adv            N-GFS            N-GFP    Conj            N-GFS            N-GNP            Conj            N-GFS            N-GNP            N-NMS

1. Wives do not try to win the spiritual battle with external dress, but with the internal character.
2. What some people wear is so loud that others cannot hear what they are saying
3. “adornment” is the Greek word **kosmos** and means to “order or arrange.”
  - a. It is the opposite of chaos.

- A women's clothing, hair and jewelry should match or be arranged so that it reflects here Christianity.

**3:4 – but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious.**

235 [e]	3588 [e]	2927 [e]	3588 [e]	2588 [e]	444 [e]	1722 [e]	3588 [e]	862 [e]	3588 [e]	4239 [e]	2532 [e]	2272 [e]
all'	ho	kryptos	tēs	kardias	anthrōpos	en	tō	aphthartō	tou	praeōs	kai	hēsychiou
4 ἀλλ'	ὁ	κρυπτός	τῆς	καρδίας	ἄνθρωπος	, ἐν	τῷ	ἀφθάρτῳ	τοῦ	πραέως	καὶ	ἡσυχίου
but	the	hidden	of the	heart	man	in	the	imperishable	of the	gentle	and	quiet
Conj	Art-NMS	Adj-NMS	Art-GFS	N-GFS	N-NMS	Prep	Art-DMS	Adj-DMS	Art-GNS	Adj-GNS	Conj	Adj-GNS

praeos = "meek", "gentle", "humble" corresponds with Hebrew anav used to describe Moses as "very humble, more than any man on the face of the earth."

hesychiou = "quiet", "tranquil", "peaceful" Similar to Hebrew "shalow" - "at ease", "shalom" - "peace"

4151 [e]	3739 [e]	1510 [e]	1799 [e]	3588 [e]	2316 [e]	4185 [e]
pneumatos	ho	estin	enōpion	tou	Theou	polyteles
πνεύματος	, ὅ	ἐστίν	ἐνώπιον	τοῦ	Θεοῦ	πολυτελές
spirit	which	is	before	-	God	of great worth
N-GNS	RelPro-NNS	V-PIA-3S	Prep	Art-GMS	N-GMS	Adj-NNS

- "inner self" or "hidden person of the heart" is literally "the hidden man of the heart."
- "gentle" is "meek, calm, peaceful".
  - The opposite is "rough" or "bad tempered"
- "quiet" means "not touchy".
- Mt. 11:29 – Jesus describes himself as "meek and humble"

**3:5 – For this is how the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves, by submitting to their own husbands,**

3779 [e]	1063 [e]	4218 [e]	2532 [e]	3588 [e]	40 [e]	1135 [e]	3588 [e]	1679 [e]	1519 [e]	2316 [e]	2885 [e]	1438 [e]
Houtos	gar	pote	kai	hai	hagiai	gynaikes	hai	elpizousai	eis	Theon	ekosmoun	heautas
5 Οὕτως	γάρ	ποτε	καὶ	αἱ	ἅγαι	γυναῖκες	αἱ	ἐλπίζουσαι	εἰς	Θεὸν	ἐκόσμου	ἑαυτάς
In this way	for	formerly	also	the	holy	women	-	hoping	in	God	used to adorn	themselves
Adv	Conj	Prtl	Conj	Art-NFP	Adj-NFP	N-NFP	Art-NFP	V-PPA-NFP	Prep	N-AMS	V-IIA-3P	RefPro-AF3P

5293 [e]	3588 [e]	2398 [e]	435 [e]
hypotassomenai	tois	idiois	andrasin
ὑποτασσόμεναι	τοῖς	ἰδίοις	ἀνδράσιν
being subject	to the	own	husbands
V-PPMP-NFP	Art-DMP	Adj-DMP	N-DMP

- "holy" means "set apart"
- Many of the ancient women were very beautiful in the eyes of men: Sarah, Bathsheba, Rachel. But, they made themselves beautiful in the eyes of men and God in their inner character
- An example of this inner beauty is stated here by Peter: "They were submissive to their own husbands."

3:6 – as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord. And you are her children, if you do good and do not fear anything that is frightening.

5613 [e]	4564 [e]	5219 [e]	3588 [e]	11 [e]	2962 [e]	846 [e]	2564 [e]	3739 [e]	1096 [e]	5043 [e]	
hos	Sarra	hypékousen	to	Abraam	kyrion	auton	kalousa	hēs	egenēthete	tekna	
6 ὡς	Σάρρα	ὑπήκουσεν	τῷ	Ἀβραάμ	, κύριον	αὐτὸν	καλοῦσα	, ἧς	ἐγενήθητε	τέκνα	,
as	Sarah	obeyed	-	Abraham	lord	him	calling	of whom	you have become	children	
Adv	N-NFS	V-AIA-3S	Art-DMS	N-DMS	N-AMS	PPro-AM3S	V-PPA-NFS	RelPro-GFS	V-AIP-2P	N-NNP	

15 [e]	2532 [e]	3361 [e]	5399 [e]	3367 [e]	4423 [e]
agathopoiousai	kai	mē	phoboumenai	mēdemian	ptoësin
ἀγαθοποιοῦσαι	καὶ	μὴ	φοβούμεναι	μηδεμίαν	πτώσιν
doing good	and	not	fearing	not one	consternation
V-PPA-NFP	Conj	Adv	V-PPM/P-NFP	Adj-AFS	N-AFS

1. Sarah had actions and words:
  - a. She obeyed Abraham
  - b. She called him “lord” (*kurios*)
2. Believing wives are to:
  - a. Do what is right
  - b. Do not fear men or circumstances.

3:7 – Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.

3588 [e]	435 [e]	3668 [e]	4924 [e]	2596 [e]	1108 [e]	5613 [e]	772 [e]	4632 [e]	3588 [e]
Hoi	andres	homoiōs	synoikountes	kata	gnōsin	hōs	asthenesterō	skeuei	tō
7 Οἱ	ἄνδρες	ὁμοίως	, συνοικοῦντες	κατὰ	γνώσιν	, ὡς	ἀσθενεστέρῳ	σκεύει	τῷ
-	Husbands	likewise	dwelling with [them]	according to	knowledge	as	with a weaker	vessel	with the
Art-VMP	N-VMP	Adv	V-PPA-NMP	Prep	N-AFS	Adv	Adj-DNS-C	N-DNS	Art-DNS

1134 [e]	632 [e]	5092 [e]	5613 [e]	2532 [e]	4789 [e]	5485 [e]	2222 [e]	1519 [e]	3588 [e]	3361 [e]
gynaikiō	aponemontes	timēn	hōs	kai	synklēronomois	charitos	zōēs	eis	to	mē
γυναικίῳ	, ἀπονέμοντες	τιμῆν	, ὡς	καὶ	συνκληρονόμοις	χάριτος	ζωῆς	, εἰς	τὸ	μὴ
female	rendering	honor	as	also	joint-heirs	of [the] grace	of life	so as for	-	not
Adj-DNS	V-PPA-NMP	N-AFS	Adv	Conj	Adj-DMP	N-GFS	N-GFS	Prep	Art-ANS	Adv

1465 [e]	3588 [e]	4335 [e]	4771 [e]
enkoptesthai	tas	proseuchas	hymōn
ἐνκόπτεσθαι	τὰς	προσευχὰς	ὑμῶν
to be hindered	the	prayers	of you
V-PNM/P	Art-AFP	N-AFP	PPro G2P

Christian Husbands are to be:

1. Considerate and dwell with knowledge with their wife
2. Protective and Supportive of the physically weaker
3. Honoring their unique spouse
4. Cooperative with a daughter of God who is joint heir in Christ

## ΟΜΟΙΩΣ “LIKEWISE”

1. Goes back to 2:17
2. These directions have been to believers in general, believing slaves, believing wives and now believing husbands.
3. There is no instructions here for the unsaved.
4. God’s only advice, command and requirement for the unbeliever is to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.
5. Includes submission to human institutions
6. There is no discussion of a believing husband having a non-believing wife.
7. Husbands in this culture could forbid idols and require conformity

## ΣΥΝΟΙΚΟΥΝΤΕΣ “DWELLING WITH THEM”

1. “Dwell” refers to living as a domestic couple
2. “Dwelling” is used only here in the NT but occurs in the LXX in Dt.22:13; 24:1; 25:5; Is. 62:5; Pr. 19:14
3. “Dwelling” has an overtone of living with a wife in a married state and includes the bedroom, the kitchen, the family room and the garage.

## ΚΑΤΑ “ACCORDING” ΓΝΩΣΙΝ “TO KNOWLEDGE”

1. “Knowledge” refers to a scriptural understanding of marriage
2. This is insight into God’s plan and Christian character and sensitivity to the wife.
3. This would include common sense, and culturally “understanding a woman”

## ΑΣΘΕΝΕΣΤΕΡΩ “WITH A WEAKER EVEN”

1. “Weaker” does **not** refer to intelligence or will but to the physical structure.
2. Women were created different than men.
3. Genesis 2:7 – “the Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground.”
4. Genesis 2:22 – “the Lord God made a woman from the rib “part” he had taken out of the man.”

## ΣΚΕΥΕΙ “VESSEL”

1. “vessel” is used in the NT to refer to temple vessels and household vessels
2. Vessels were chosen and used to accomplish a purpose
3. Acts 9:15 – Paul is a chosen vessel of God
4. The husband is to dwell in a domestic relationship with his wife but realize she is vessel with a purpose
5. Four uses of vessel in Greek:
  - a. Person is an instrument of God as Paul was in Acts 9:15
  - b. Physical Body is a vessel containing:
    - The soul as in 1 Thessalonians 4:4
    - The glory of God as in 2 Corinthians 4:7
  - c. An object or creation of the Creator or the Potter as in 2 Timothy 2:20



- d. The Rabbi's taught that husbands had a possession in the wife and she was their vessel or object of possession. This attitude is not supported in scripture
- 6. Abraham and Sarah in Genesis 18:6 shows Abraham telling Sarah to prepare a meal but yet he himself went out to get the meat, set the table, served the meal and waited on the guests.

#### τω "WITH THE" γυναικειω "FEMALE"

#### απονεμοντες "RENDERING"

- 1. "Giving" or "Rendering" means "to assign to", "to portion off", "to distribute" as assigning or apportioning what is due or right
- 2. There is a special portion of respect, gentleness, recognition that the husband gives the wife that:
  - a. he does not give to anyone else
  - b. she does not receive or accept from anyone else
- 3. Titus did this to the troops when they destroyed Jerusalem in 70 AD

#### τιμην "THEM HONOUR"

- 1. "Honor" same word in 1:19 translated "precious" which referred to Christ's "precious blood" but not in monetary value but as rare, one of a kind, unique blood. The only way to God.
- 2. So, it is with the husband honoring the wife.
- 3. She is unique, one of a kind and rare among females.
- 4. This includes words, attitude, and deeds.

#### συγκληρονομοι "JOINT HEIRS"

- 1. Same privileges, rights and calling in Christ as husband in reference to "the grace of life".
- 2. This does not mean that men and women are the same. They are created differently for different purposes.
- 3. This is obvious in the physical realm. But this difference is only for this age.
- 4. Galatians 3:28 – in Christ natural differences such as race, gender and social standing do not matter.
- 5. They do in the natural realm but not in the spiritual.
- 6. Society in the first century AD didn't teach this.
- 7. This was a new and radical Christian way that believing men were to treat their wives.

#### χαριτος "OF THE GRACE" ζωης "OF LIFE"

#### εκκοπτεσθαι "TO BE CUT OFF"

- 1. This word means to "to cut in" or "to interrupt"
- 2. This word is used to describe the breaking up of a road to slow someone down.
- 3. 1 Thessalonians 2:18 – Paul was "hindered" by Satan
- 4. Gal. 5:7 – Someone cut in and hindered the Galatians when Paul asks, "Who broke up the road for you?"

5. Spiritual warfare teaches us here that we must not let our prayers and fellowship with God be broken up because of our improper behavior with our wives in our homes, bedrooms, kitchens, garages, etc.
6. Failure to live in knowledge with his wife or to recognize her for who she is will result in an interruption in the husband's prayers.

τας προσευχας υμων **"YOUR PRAYERS"**

1. "Your" is refers to the husbands who are being addressed here.
2. This is not a reference to both the husband and wife.
3. This pronoun is second person plural, but refers back to the "husands" – *andres* – who are being addressed as a group.