For Our Information

Annette Gray continues to improve. Joyce Venable is slowly recovering from sunburn.

John & Betty Ragsdale are both doing better this weekend.

Ruben and Brenda Keisler have been in Blytheville this weekend for Madison Groves' high school graduation.

The Simpson family is out of town this weekend.

Keep our brothers & sisters in mind

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We seek only to serve God according to His Will!

Brethren, even if anyone is caught in any trespass, you who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness; each one looking to yourself, so that you too will not be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:1-2

Are we helping each other to remain faithful to God? That is the message in this verse, and many others. Paul placed an obligation upon each child of God to look out for their brother.

When we see one of our fellow Christians living in a manner that is not according to God's Law, we must take steps to help them correct those actions. Certainly we must not develop a haughty attitude, but we can use our knowledge to help those who may have less understanding. Also we must live our life in a manner that will show a good example to those who might be watching. Consider one another! (DLH)

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To Vote On **Wives Roles**

Kent E. Heaton Sr.

News from El Paso, Texas is confusion on the role of wives in the **shall leave his** marriage. It seems the Baptist General father and his Convention of Texas is not pleased with an amendment to the denominations mother, and declaration of beliefs that was approved in 1998 during the Southern Baptist Convention in Salt Lake City his wife; and that said that wives should submit to their husbands. The confusion comes they shall from Clyde Glazener, president of the become one Texas convention, who said, "That amendment, though it spoke about flesh. family and had some decent things in it, also had in it some beliefs that were



For this reason a man be joined to

Genesis 2:24



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intended to hammer women about subservience, in my judgment." [From a November 1999 Infobeat.com story that is no longer available. Others sources still reference the convention declaration. (DLH)]

Confusion will always be the order of the day when men seek to depart from the word of God. Regardless of men's "judgments" or "conventions" or "councils" - the wisdom of God stands. **Ephesians** 5:22 says, "Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord." This has not changed nor will man be able to change the perfect pattern of God. Does a wife become "subservient" to submit to a man? Those who argue against the submission of the woman to man will not be willing to submit to anyone. **Ephesians 5:21** uses the same Greek word when it reads: "Submitting to one another in the fear of God."

In both verses, Paul emphasizes "the fear of God" and "as to the Lord." The basis of submission to one another and for wives to husbands is because it is God's will. Our submission to one another is found in what Paul wrote in **Philippians 2:3-4**, "Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others." The definition of submission is "1) to arrange under, to subordinate 2) to subject, put in subjection 3) to subject one's self, obey 4) to submit to one's control 5) to yield to one's admonition or advice 6) to obey, be subject - A Greek military term meaning 'to arrange [troop divisions] in a military fashion under the command of a leader.' In non-military use, it was

Store In My Heart Matthew 25:46

And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

No matter how long or short we may live, one day all will be judged. The passage leading up to this statement speaks of a separation that will come at judgment. This context shows that this separation will be determined by how we lived our lives here. The attitude we had toward those less fortunate will play a large part in showing our true self. The righteous lived a life of service to others. The unrighteous did not. We need to consider our attitude toward "even the least of these."

All of life boils down to this. Eternity is real. Eternal punishment or eternal life, its up to you! 'a voluntary attitude of giving in, cooperating, assuming responsibility, and carrying a burden.'" [Strongs Greek/Hebrew Dictionary]

The woman is to be subservient because God said for her to be! We are to be subservient to one another because God said so! Does this allow men to be dominate dictators over women? God also directs the husband in the same context: "For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,." (Ephesians 5:23-25) The husband's role of leadership over the wife (1Corinthians 11:3) is based upon the role of leadership Christ has over the church. Do we - as members of the bride of Christ feel oppressed because we are subservient to Christ? I thank my God for that submission to one who loves me so much to die for my sins.

The wife who is subservient to her husband, submissive to her husband, is following the pattern of God's word. The husband who exercises his role of leadership in the proper manner will give his wife the blessings of being in the submissive role. **Ephesians** 5:33 restates it this way: "Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband." What is there to vote on? Husbands - love your wife! Wives - submit to your husbands - God said this long ago. (See also Colossians 3:18-19; Genesis 3:16; 1Timothy 2:8-15; Titus 2:5; 1Peter 3:1-7)