

Who's In Charge in Your Home?

(Eph. 5:22-25; Gen. 3:1-7)

Intro: Many problems grow out of the marital relationship and life in the home. One that rears its ugly head repeatedly is the issue of authority/responsibility.

1. The Way It Was _____ Eph. 5:22-25

- Husbands should _____ their wives.
- Wives should _____ to their husbands.

note: The pattern for roles and responsibilities in the marriage is based on the relationship of _____.

...Sounds pretty simple... so why doesn't it work better?

2. The Way It Was _____ Gen. 3:1-7

- a. Eve _____ spiritual leadership in Adam's _____.
- b. Eve is _____ and _____ God.
- c. Adam _____ Eve in sin and disobedience.

3. The Way It Is _____

The husband/wife relationship has become a power struggle, and it's the _____ fault...and the _____ fault. Our world is characterized by weak husbands and controlling wives. Women desire control, and men make it easy for them in their "absence". Who's in charge? It seems the wife has been in charge, yet God, speaking of the husband, says "he shall rule over you." (Gen. 3:16)

Points to Ponder:

- 1.) God's intention for husbands is to _____.
- 2.) God's intention for wives is to _____.

Key Areas for Male Leadership in the Home:

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