

# **Week Six**

## **Loving Her Husband**

### **Titus 2:4**

1. Movies, novels, advertising, songs, poetry, celebrities, friends can influence our belief about what love is. What are some of the misconceptions about love?
  
2. What you believe about love will affect your emotional well being. The only reliable truth about love is found in the word of God. From each of the following verses, who is the giver of love, who is the recipient, and to what extent is the love given?

GIVER

RECIPIENT

EXTENT

John 3:16

Romans 5:8

John 5:20

John 16:27

John 13:34

GIVER

RECIPIENT

EXTENT

John 15:13-14

John 14:15

Romans 13:8-10

Hebrews 12:6-10

Ephesians 5:28

3. From the above verses, what kind of love does God have for you? What kind of love are you to have for others?

4. Study 1 John 4:7-21. Love is active. It is not something that just happens, it is something you choose to do. How is it that we are able to love the way God intends for us to?

5. Do you respect your husband? ( See Ephesians 5:33) List the positive points about your husband. How can you better focus on them?

When was the last time you complimented and praised your husband?  
What affect did it have?

6. Are you your husband's helper or hindrance? (see Genesis 2:18) Do you frequently challenge or question his decisions? Are you ever to be his head ( see Ephesians 5:23; 1 Corinthians 11:3) List areas in which you tend to dominate.

7. List several things you can do, to make coming home from work, special and pleasant for your husband. (Proverbs 21:19; 25:24)

8. Questions 5 – 7 are love in action. Ask God to remind you of the love you had for the "husband of your youth." Confess any attitudes contrary to Biblical love and ask Him to renew in your heart that "fond affection" for your husband.

9. Read about Abigail in 1 Samuel 25. What kind of husband did Abigail have? Was he easy to love?

Yet, what did Abigail do for her husband?

How did God cause this to “work together for good” (Romans 8:28) for Abigail?

How would you have handled Nabal if you had been his wife?

Re-read Abigail’s speech to David in verses 24-31. What is revealed about her character and spiritual maturity?

Where did she get the strength and wisdom to do the right thing? Do you think she married the wrong man? Does God ever excuse us from doing the right thing?

10. Read Proverbs 19:14. Does your husband consider you a gift from the Lord?