

## **I Peter 3:1-7** Bible Discussion Questions - Pre-marriage Counseling - W. Scott Plavnick

3:1 In the larger passage of 2:13-25, to what does Peter parallel a wife's submission to her husband?

What is a strategy for witnessing here?

3:3-6 How is a wife to make herself beautiful?

What has been a common misinterpretation of this passage?

3:7 Since Peter does not address the responsibilities of those in the positions of authority mentioned in the larger passage 2:13-25, why would he address the responsibility of husbands?

To whom does the husband show submission?

Many translations mix this verse up. The new Christian Standard Bible (CSB) is the closest major English translation to the Greek here:

“Husbands, in the same way, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with a weaker partner, showing them honor as coheirs of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.”

Why does this say the husband is to live with his wife “in an understanding way” (CSB, ESV, NASB) "dwell together according to knowledge" (KJV) "be considerate"(NIV)?

In what way is the wife weaker?

What would most people say about this today?

What is Peter's goal in saying this?

How can the husband do this?

What types of knowledge does a husband need to learn to live understanding that his wife is weaker?

Why is the husband to grant his wife honour?

How would this have sounded to the original hearers?

What is the threat in this verse?

Why would a harsh husband's prayers be hindered? (Who would hinder them?)