

What's That Smell?

Luke 6:31-38, Ephesians 5:22-28, 5:1-2

- Marriage grows sweet when each spouse gives unreservedly.
Luke 6:31-38
- Marriage grows sweet when each spouse embraces God's structure for marriage.
Ephesians 5:22-33
- Marriage grows sweet when each spouse imitates Jesus.
Ephesians 5:1-2



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FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. Which of the three pictures stood out to you the most this week? Why?
2. Read Luke 6:31. How is irrigation “head-to-head” coverage an illustration of how we should give to one another? How is this different from what our culture says? How do we see this in Ephesians 5:24 and 25?
3. Read Luke 6:38. When in your life have you experienced the “sweet spot” of experiencing blessing when you’ve given beyond what’s fair?
4. Read Ephesians 5:22-25. What does it mean that the husband is the head of the wife? (see 1 Cor 11:3) How does it impact you to know that husbands are in a position of inescapable leadership and responsibility?
5. For wives, how is it a struggle to submit? Is fear or anxiety something that is a factor in this? (see also 1 Peter 3:1-6)
6. For husbands, how is it a struggle to love sacrificially? Are you inclined to tyranny or abdication? (see also 1 Peter 3:7)
7. Read Ephesians 5:1-2. How is imitating God and Jesus related in this passage?
8. This week, how can you set Jesus as your model for approaching your marriage or other relationships?

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