

The Hidden Person of the Heart

1 Peter 3:1-7

How can I
honour God amid a
strained marriage?

But you are a **chosen** race,
a **royal** priesthood, a **holy** nation,
a people for his **own** possession,
that you may proclaim the excellencies
of him who called you **out of darkness**
into his **marvelous light**.

1 Peter 2:9 (ESV)

1 Peter 3:1-7

1. Strength in Submission (v1-2)
2. Beauty in Gentleness (v3-4)
3. Mothers in the Faith (v5-6)
4. Honour to the Weak (v7)

Likewise, wives,
be **subject** to your own husbands,

1 Peter 3:1a (ESV)

Servants, be subject
to your masters with all **respect**,
not only to the **good** and gentle
but also to the **unjust**

1 Peter 2:18 (ESV)

so that even if some do **not obey** the word,
they may be **won** without a word
by the conduct of their wives

1 Peter 3:1b (ESV)

Depart, please,
from the tents of these **wicked** men,
and **touch** nothing of theirs,
lest you be **swept away** with all their sins.

Numbers 16:26 (ESV)

when they see your
respectful and **pure** conduct.

1 Peter 3:2 (ESV)

How can we **submit** to
one another out of
reverence for Christ?

(outline)

Do not let your **adorning** be external —
the braiding of **hair**
and the putting on of gold **jewelry**,
or the **clothing** you wear —

1 Peter 3:3 (ESV)

but let your adorning be
the **hidden** person of the **heart**

1 Peter 3:4a (ESV)

with the imperishable beauty
of a **gentle** and **quiet** spirit

1 Peter 3:4b (ESV)

“Well-behaved women seldom make history”

Laurel Thatcher Ulrich

with the **imperishable** beauty
of a **gentle** and **quiet** spirit,
which in God's sight is very **precious**.

1 Peter 3:4b-c (ESV)

What makes us beautiful?

(outline)

For this is how the **holy women**
who **hoped in God** used to **adorn** themselves,

1 Peter 3:5a (ESV)

When he was reviled, he did not **revile** in return;
when he suffered, he did not **threaten**,
but continued **entrusting** himself
to him who judges **justly**

1 Peter 2:23 (ESV)

by **submitting** to their own husbands,
6 as **Sarah** obeyed Abraham, calling him **lord**.

1 Peter 3:5b-6a (ESV)

And you are her children,
if you do **good** and do not fear
anything that is **frightening**.

1 Peter 3:6b (ESV)

Have no **fear** of them, nor be **troubled**

1 Peter 3:14 (ESV)

**Who are the mothers
in the faith
I can learn from?**

(outline)

Likewise, husbands, **live** with your wives
in an **understanding** way,

1 Peter 3:7a (ESV)

showing honor to the woman
as the **weaker vessel**,

1 Peter 3:7b (ESV)

On the contrary, the parts of the body
that seem to be **weaker** are **indispensable**,
23 and on those parts of the body that we think
less honorable we bestow the **greater honor**,
and our **unpresentable** parts
are treated with greater **modesty**

1 Corinthians 12:22-23 (ESV)

showing honor to the woman
as the weaker vessel,

1 Peter 3:7b (ESV)

since they are **heirs** with you
of the **grace** of life

1 Peter 3:7c (ESV)

so that your **prayers** may not be hindered.

1 Peter 3:7c (ESV)

How do I **treat** those
weaker than myself?

