

1 Peter 3 introduction

Hey guys, how's it going? This is Jacqueline the unimportant homemaker and today let's talk about wives.

The section in 1st Peter chapter 3 concerning wives has become very dear to me. Throughout my years of marriage, I've witnessed myself becoming transformed in mind, in temperament and in wisdom. Before Christ, marriage was my badge of honor, I was the prize and my satisfaction was my highest priority and I assumed it should have been my husband's highest priority as well, because after all He was able to get me as a wife! 🤔 Prize that I was, right! He had no idea the type of sinful woman I was. I feel bad about it but throughout the years, I have completely reversed my assessment, HE is the prize for sure and I'm glad the Lord put me into service to this man.

Anyway, Titus 2 was the main instrument I used, and the Lord used, to teach me how to obey and submit and work hard as a homemaker and love my people and being honor to the Lord and that was all great. I grew in leaps and bounds, still struggling of course with my flesh because some things were still missing.

Well, in comes 1 Peter 3. This wife has been the hardest to conform to. I knew I had lots of arrogance and rebellion still in my heart and I was continually bringing it before the throne, beseeching the Lord to eradicate it, telling Him I don't care what it costs me. 1 Peter 3 showed me more clearly what that might look like.

I'd like to dive deep into this woman with you. I have never seen anyone unpack these verses, this woman is usually overlooked. I consider it a masterclass in self-mortification because it puts all of the focus on me and the inner working of my heart with its motivations and teaches me "how to keep under my body and bring it into subjection", to borrow the phrase of my dear Apostle Paul. I found it much easier to love my husband, love my child, be a keeper at home and be good but to be quiet and Chaste in conversation and behavior with a respectful fear??!! That required Herculean effort or more accurately, a joyfully submitted heart made available to the Holy Spirit to do as He wills with my life. And the best part is that the Word showed us exactly how Christ did this exact same thing, submitting himself with complete patience, in full confidence to the sovereignty and purposes of our Father in heaven.

So for the next few Saturdays, I will walk you through the process I took to grow as the 1 Peter 3 wife and I pray it will be a blessing to you.

That's it for today guys. Thank you for joining me, I'll see you next time.