

SERMON GUIDE

SHE IS ME!

Ephesians 5:22-23

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SERMON NOTES

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OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE (Year 2, Week 8)

Psalm 145:17-18 (God's Character)

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

Scripture that stands out to you while you read

Observations about the verse or phrases that stood out to you

Application that connect the verses to your real life and relationships

Prayers that invites God to participate in your life and provide power to follow him

Conversation Questions

Getting to know me: In this teaching series we will be addressing the question, "What does it mean that a husband is the 'head' of his wife?" and we will be teaching about some of the implications of this for all of our lives. As we begin, our first question is, "How are you feeling about approaching this subject together? Is there anything that would be particularly helpful or really unhelpful to you in a conversation like this?"

About the passage: For this series, we are presuming that: *Headship means that an organic and mysterious union exists between a husband and wife, like the union that exists between Christ and his church. This creates a unique sense of spiritual accountability in husbands that should be worked out in sacrificial, transforming love.*

Read Ephesians 5:22-23

- S** What verses, phrases, or words stand out to you as you read this text? Is anything "illuminated" or jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?
- O** In what ways do these verses agree and/or conflict with other messages about the role of a man in his family?
- O** What makes the relationship between Jesus and the church such a powerful model for husbands and wives to follow together? What makes it difficult?
- O** What do you think it means that an "organic and mysterious" union exists between husband and wife, like the union that exists between Christ and the church (see "About the passage" above)?
- O** Where can you see the definition of 'head' (see "about this passage) expressed in the scripture reading today? Be specific and point to particular phrases and words.
- A** Do you find this definition of 'headship' convicting, challenging, comforting or confusing? Why? Does this definition and our reading raise any questions for you right now? Has it changed the way you think about your relationship to your spouse or to people you would date?
- A** For men: Is the Spirit bringing any conviction or clarity to your heart about how you have been relating to your wife (for married men) or to women you might date (for unmarried men)?

Is there anything that you know needs to change today?

For women: Is the Spirit bringing any conviction or clarity to your heart about how you've been relating to your husband (for married women) or to men you might date (for unmarried women)?

- P:** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.