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The Submissive Family

Scripture: Ephesians 5:22–25; Ephesians 6:1–2

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What makes a family *work*? Is it authority—a firm-ruling father who keeps the peace?

Activity—weekly date nights and regular family outings? Availability—members who make time for one another? According to Scripture, a key ingredient for a successful family is *submission*. Society scoffs at the very mention of the word, but God places submission at the top of His list for a unified family.

When our culture brings up the topic of submission, it's usually to mock or malign it. After all, we live in an age where prideful self-assertion and ambition are major hallmarks of personal success. Sadly, that same attitude is brought home to the family, with disastrous results. Mutual submission may sound like a strange success formula to the world, but God's ways are higher than our ways—and always *better*.

Listen to John's sermon excerpt, then join the discussion in the comment thread.

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