

Submit to my Husband, you've got to be Kidding #1

1 Pet. 3:1-6

Both the Husband and Wife are: (Choosing to Love, Jerry and Barbara Cooke)

- Equal in value.
- Equal in their relationship with God.
- Equal in their separateness from the rest of creation.
- Equal in their authority.
- Equal in their holdings.
- Equal in their responsibility.

Biblical definition of submission – “willingly yielding to the authority, guidance, or will of another, acting with humility and respect. Scriptural submission doesn’t imply inequality or slavery, but rather a willingness to align ourselves with God’s order and purpose.”

What submission is not:

(John Piper, desiringGod.org, “Six Things Submission is Not”)

- Agreeing on everything
- Leaving your brain at the altar.
- Trying not to influence your husband.
- Putting the will of the husband before the will of Christ.
- Getting all of her spiritual strength through her husband.
- Living or acting in fear.

Points to Ponder:

- Please remember that we are all to be servants of one another, with Christ being our example! (Phil. 2:5-11, Mark 10:45)
- Please remember that the mandates of God’s Word are to take precedence over the cultural views of marriage!
- Please remember that God is not a respecter of persons, with regard to gender, we are all created equal! (Gal. 3:28)
- Please remember that one’s success in marriage depends on accurately playing the role God assigned, not usurping the role we desire to play!