AGAIN

Philippians 2:1-8

FAMILY



- How do I count my spouse more important in marriage?
- Eph. 5:21 <u>submitting to one another</u> out of reverence for Christ.
- Eph. 5:25 Husbands, <u>love your wives</u>, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her,
- Eph. 5:33 However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband. (ESV)



The best thing about honor — it comes with a reward!

- Exodus 20:12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.
- Ephesians 6:3 "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land."
- Reward is individualist and corporate!



Break the "crazy cycle."

- A. Wives need love. Don't receive it.
 - Get angry. Critical spirited. Withdraw.
- B. Husbands need respect. Don't receive it.
 - Get angry. Critical spirited. Withdraw.
- C. Get off the anger cycle.
 - Your spouse is a "good willed" person.
 - "Love and Respect" by Emerson Emmerich.



1. I am charged to count others as more important than myself.

Phil. 2:3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

- A. To "empty myself" would mean to give more importance to my other's preference.
 - Husbands/wives; parents/children; siblings/siblings
 - Others.



- 2. Jesus does not leave us "as we are." He makes us new to be like Him.
- Phil. 2:5 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus," (NAU)
 - Phil 2:3 ... but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves
 - Phil. 2:8 ..., he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. (ESV)



3. Jesus "let go" that we might "take up."

• Phil. 2:6-7 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. (ESV)



Next steps.

- 1. Memorize Phil 2:3.
 - Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. (Phil. 2:3 ESV)
- 2. Choose a "Saturday" that you will reverse all duties.
 - Husband/wife
 - Child/parent

