



VALLEY REAL LIFE

You. Me. We. | Passive Husband and Controlling Wife

Last Week

How did you apply last week's lesson on relationships? Who did you share the lesson with?

Opener

Have you witnessed a relationship where one controls the other to the point of diminishing the other person's role in the relationship? Can you share?

Questions

Regarding the story of Jezebel and Ahab, what are some problems you see with the relationship as you heard it told? Why do you think this is harmful to Ahab and his role as King?

What are some reasons where you can see someone becoming passive to the other's controlling nature instead of having a discussion between the two of them to rectify the situation? Can you empathize with the passive personality in such a situation?

Why do you think "submission" is such a difficult word in our society? Can you give some examples where the word is improperly applied (even if in your opinion) in our culture? Why are we called to be submissive to each other?

Husbands, what does it mean to you to love your wife sacrificially? Wives, what does it mean to you to respect your husbands?

Scripture Discovery:

Have yourself, another group member, or all group members read the following Scripture out loud

Colossians 3:12-15 (NLT)

Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful.

What does this passage tell us about God?

- What does this passage tell us about people?
- How do you need to apply this passage to your life?
- And who are you going to tell?

Pray