



Mystery Doctrines Pertinent to Marriage: Baptism of the Holy Spirit & the Body of Christ, Eph 5:25-31: Provisions of Christ to the Church & the Husband to the Wife

Ephesians 5:28 - Thus you husbands also ought to love your own wives [**each man has his right woman**] as their own bodies. The one who loves his own wife loves himself.

3. This love is expressed in physical ways that illustrate Christ's logistical provisions for the church:
 1. As the Lord provides the Word of God as spiritual sustenance for the church so the man must provide spiritual leadership for his wife.
 2. As the Lord provides protection for the church through a wall of fire so the husband provides physical protection for his wife as she submits to his leadership.
 3. As the Lord provides clothing for the woman's soul through Bible doctrine so the husband provides her with the spiritual leadership so she can acquire this information.
 4. As the church grows spiritually in Christ there is a stimulation of the soul as momentum builds in the spiritual life. So also there is physical stimulation in the right man-right woman relationship as their sexual life amplifies the harmony of their relationship with each other.

Ephesians 5:29 - For no one has ever hated his own flesh but he nourishes and provides care for it just as Christ also does the church,

v. 30 - because we are members of His body.

4. Therefore as the man loves his wife as his own body he illustrates how the Lord loves the church which is His own body.

Ephesians 5:31 - [Genesis 2:24] "For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother, and shall have sexual relations face-to-face with his wife and the two shall keep on being as one flesh."

6. Sex is a private matter between right man and right woman that commemorates the rapport and coalescence of their souls. This personal and private relationship is sacrosanct and is not for public discussion or observation.
7. However, this private relationship which emphasizes rapport of the soul has been distorted by the sex-education curricula of the federal schools who only present the physical aspects of sex.