

## Questions for Reflection and Discussion

### 1 Peter 3:1-7

#### Marriage by Design

##### Getting Started

Why do you think submission in marriage is such an unpopular concept in American culture?

##### Digging In

1. **Read vss. 1-6.** What is Peter's basic exhortation to wives? What do you think this means? What does it not mean?
2. According to the context, what purpose did Peter have in mind?
3. How can the non-Christian husbands of Christian wives be won to Christ?
4. What kind of beauty are wives to cultivate? Explain. (vss. 3-4)
5. How does Peter illustrate his teaching from the Old Testament? (vss. 5-6)
6. **Read v. 7.** Summarize Peter's command to husbands.
7. What do you think it means for husbands to *be considerate*? Give some examples.
8. What does it mean for husbands to treat their wives with respect? Why is this important?
9. How do the instructions in 1 Peter 3 compare with Paul's instructions for husbands and wives in Eph 5:22-33 and Col 3:18-19?



##### Getting Personal

*While this passage doesn't apply directly to all of us, it is important for the entire body of Christ. We all have a part in promoting a biblical view of marriage, and training the next generation.*

- For wives: how are you doing in applying Peter's instructions? Where do you feel you most need to grow?
- For husbands: how are you doing in applying Peter's instructions? Where do you feel you most need to grow?
- For all of us: how can we uphold God's design for marriage in a culture that rejects biblical teaching?