

MARRIAGE & FAMILY MINISTRY
WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE – CHAPTER 3
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Biblical Womanhood

Before you get started with the questions, please read 1Peter 3:1-6 and 3:8-13. Describe in your own words what these passages are conveying as it relates to our study of biblical womanhood.



1. Was there anything that surprised, encouraged, or challenged you from Chapter 3?

2. What did you try to apply to your marriage?

3. What does it mean to be a woman? How about a mature woman?

4. Define "Submission" - please provide scripture to support your definition.

5. Would you describe yourself in your marriage using the term "submissive?" Give some examples to demonstrate why or why not.

6. Read Philippians 2:1-11. Write beside each of the following verses a word or phrase that describes a characteristic of a submissive mind. Why is this important?

2:5-6

2:7

2:8

2:9-11

7. At the heart of mature femininity is a freeing disposition to affirm, receive and nurture... Please define in your own words and provide some examples of what it means to affirm, receive and nurture strength and leadership.

Affirm

Receive

Nurture

8. Piper describes one possible set of criteria that is defined by acts of influence and guidance. He uses two continuums:

Personal _____ Non-personal

Directive _____ Non-directive

Based on Piper's explanation, do you offer appropriate guidance to the different men in your life? (i.e. husband, son, father, friend, co-worker, manager)

9. Have you ever "come on strong" with advice to your husband? What was the result?

10. What are some practical ways you **have** practiced becoming a more mature woman?

11. What are some practical things you **could** intentionally practice doing (or not doing) to become a more mature woman in the way you relate to your husband specifically?