

**Building Up One Another
Submit to One Another**

AM Service

Ephesians 5:21

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Introduction

submit

- * to yield in surrender, compliance, or obedience
- * to defer to the decision or judgment of another

“hupo + tasso”

- * to arrange under, to subordinate
- * often used as a middle voice - to subject oneself, to submit to one's control; to yield to one's admonition or advice

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A Biblical perspective

Servant leadership

Mutual submission

Hindrances to following Christ's example of servant leadership

Selfishness

Insecurity

Confusion

Five Practical steps for mutual submission

Step 1 – Mutual submission must begin with the leadership of the church.

Step 2 – All believers must clearly understand the teaching of Scripture regarding the subject of submission.

Step 3 – Meditate on the following Scriptures that teach submission and obedience to others:

1. Leaders to other members of Christ's body
2. Christians in general to their spiritual leaders
3. Younger men to older men
4. Husbands to wives
5. Wives to their husbands
6. Parents to children
7. Children to parents
8. Employers to employees
9. Employees to employers
10. Christians to government officials

Step 4 – Evaluate and prioritize the areas where you need to improve.

Step 5 – Set some specific goals.

~ Pastor Mark D. Montgomery

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Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus...

who, being in the form of God,
did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,
but made Himself of no reputation,
**taking the form of a bondservant,
and coming in the likeness of men.**

Jesus...said,

**“If anyone wants to be first,
he must be the very last, and the servant of all.”**

Be shepherds of God’s flock that is under your care,
serving as overseers ...not lording it over those entrusted to you,
but being examples to the flock.

Obey your leaders and submit to their authority.

**Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.
Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.**

Fathers, do not exasperate your children;
instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.
Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older.

Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake
to every authority instituted among men.

(Eph. 5:21, 6:1, 4; Phil. 2:5-7, Mark 9, I Peter 5:2-3, 5; Hebrews 13:17, Col. 3:18-19, I Peter 2:13)