

**Harvest Bible Chapel
Small Group Questions
October 4, 2009**

Green Grass 4 –Responsibilities of a Husband

Note to wives: because this message was primarily directed to husbands, you should be careful not to take it as an opportunity to point out your husband's failures. Remember to stay on your side of the fence.

1. Ask everyone in your group to tell the most interesting job title they have ever had? What is the job title God gives to husbands? What two words sum up his job description?
2. Have you noticed that “men bashing” in our culture is “in”? How have you seen or heard this? How do you respond to it? Have you done this unwittingly because you have been influenced by our culture?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 16:13-14. How does the world define manhood? How does God define manhood? What does God mean when He says, “act like men”?
4. Read Ephesians 5:23-33. Why does the one who gets the authority also get the responsibility? How did Christ take responsibility for our sin that was his fault? How can a husband take responsibility for things in his marriage that may not be his fault?
5. How does Christ “cherish” his church? What practical ways can a husband “cherish” his wife?
6. How does Christ “nourish” his church? What practical ways can a husband “nourish” his wife.

For husbands only: Rate the statements below by circling a number from 1 (strong disagree) to 5 (strongly agree).

My leadership style makes biblical submission easy and reasonable for my wife.	1	2	3	4	5
My leadership style makes my wife feel cherished and understood.	1	2	3	4	5
My leadership is characterized by taking the initiative.	1	2	3	4	5
I verbalize acceptance and honor to my wife.	1	2	3	4	5
My wife regularly sees actions of sacrificial love from me.	1	2	3	4	5
I demonstrate love even when I don't feel like it.	1	2	3	4	5
I know my wife's needs.	1	2	3	4	5
My wife feels safe with me.	1	2	3	4	5
I esteem my wife in her role as a wife and mother.	1	2	3	4	5
My wife knows she is my top priority.	1	2	3	4	5