**Serving Your Wife, Part 1**

1. Serve with love

Eph. 5:25 – Commanded to love, with Christ as our example!

1 Pet. 3:7a – “live” strong word for ‘dwelling with’

1. Serve with knowledge, 1 Pet. 3:7b

 Answers these questions:

• How do I serve her?

• What should I say when I respond to her?

• What specific ways can I encourage her?

Done by doing 3 things:

• LISTEN to her (even ‘subtle hints’)

• OBSERVE her (look for opportunities to serve)

• ASK questions (seek ways to serve and find where not serving)

1. Understanding her past

Group Discussion:

1. Why do you think God commands men to love wives, but not wives love husbands?
2. What are some ways that you can more effectively live with your wife? (If single, what are some ways you hope to live with your future wife?)
3. Of the 3 ways to learn your wife – listen, observe, ask – which do you need to do more of? What specifically will you do this week to apply change in this area?
4. Come up with at least three questions you can ask your wife that will help you better serve her.