

**This is Us**  
**How to Have a Successful Marriage**  
**Ephesians 5:21**

**Genesis 2** <sup>18</sup> *It is not good for the man to be alone.*

**1. You must be committed to an enduring relationship.**

**Genesis 2** <sup>24</sup> *For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.*

**Matthew 19** <sup>4</sup> *“Haven’t you read,” he replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female,’ <sup>5</sup> and said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’? <sup>6</sup> So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”*

**2. You must be committed to a faithful relationship.**

**Hebrews 13** <sup>4</sup> *Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.*

**Exodus 20** <sup>14</sup> *“You shall not commit adultery.*

**3. You must be committed to a united relationship.**

**Ephesians 5** <sup>22</sup> *Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.*

**Ephesians 5** <sup>25</sup> *Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her. <sup>6</sup> to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, <sup>27</sup> and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. <sup>28</sup> In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.*

**4. You must be committed to a Godly relationship.**

**Ephesians 5** <sup>21</sup> *Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.*

**Ephesians 5** <sup>32</sup> *This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church.*

**Revelation 21** <sup>9</sup> *One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.”*