

MAKE IT REAL

Questions for Personal Application and Small Group Discussion

REVIEW THE SERMON

Read Ephesians 5:15-21 and 1 Peter 1:1-7. How would you define mutual submission? _____

What makes mutual submission difficult? _____

What is the motive behind mutual submission and what character qualities are required for mutual submission to take place? _____

In 1 Peter 5:5, why does Peter use the phrase “clothe yourselves” when describing humility? How is putting on humility like putting on clothes? _____

How can you practically clothe yourself with humility? _____

ASSESS YOUR LIFE

What keeps you from submitting yourself to a person or authority? How does trusting God’s loving care (1 Peter 5:6-7) influence your thinking about the risk of humble submission? _____

According to Peter, grace is contingent on humility, and humility is contingent on trusting God. Based on the measure of grace in your life, how are you doing at trusting God? _____

APPLY THE TRUTH

How do the principles of submitting yourself to one another apply to other relationships in your life? How can you show humble submission at home? _____

With co-workers? _____

At school? _____

With friends? _____

At church? _____