Stan & Scott **July 7, 2024**
Ephesians 5:18b-33

Passage Outline:
Vs. 18b-21
Do not be drunk, but filled in the Spirit
- **Speaking to one another**
  - **in psalms, hymns, spiritual songs**
- **Singing**
- **Psalming in your hearts to the Lord**
- **Giving thanks always**
- **Submitting to one another in the fear of the Lord**

Vs. 22-24 (3 verses)
Wives:
- **To your husbands *as* to the Lord**
  - **because husband *head* *as* Christ *head***
    - **He Himself savior of Body/Church**
      - ***As* Church to Christ so wives to husbands**

Vs. 25-32 (8 verses)
Husbands:
- **Love *as* Christ loved and gave**
  - **In order that He might sanctify her (v.26)**
  - **In order that he might present her (v.27)**
    - **Without spot or wrinkle**
  - **In order that she might be holy & blameless**
- ***Thus* Husbands love wives *as* themselves. (v.28)**
  - **Loving self, loving wife**
    - **No one hates his own flesh**
      - ***Just as* Christ the Church (i.e. His Body)**
        - **We are members of His Body**
  - **(Genesis 2:24)**
  - **A husband will leave … will cleave … two become one flesh**
- **This mystery is great: Christ & Body (so too, Husband and Wife)**

Vs. 33
- **Husband love**
- **Wife respect (fear)**

Key words and Thoughts: be drunk (μεθύω**); to submit (**ὑποτάσσω**); head (**κεφαλή**); church (**ἐκκλησία**); body (**σῶμα**); to love (**ἀγαπάω**); give (**παραδίδωμι**); in splendor (**ἔνδοξος**); spot/stain (**σπῖλος**) wrinkle (**ῥυτίς**); hate (**μισέω**); holy (**ἅγιος**); blameless/unblemished (**ἄμωμος**); ought (**ὀφείλω**); nourish (**ἐκτρέφω**); warm (**θάλπω**); cleave/cling (**προσκολλάω**); flesh (**σάρξ**); mystery (**μυστήριον**); fear (**φόβος**)**

Questions:
What in this passage do you find encouraging? disturbing? Why?

How do you understand "submission"? Why? How do you understand "fear"? Why? How do you understand "love"? Why? How do you think Paul used these words?

According to this passage, what is the basis of human relationships?