

A person is standing in a dark forest at night, holding a flashlight that illuminates a path. The light from the flashlight creates a bright, glowing path that leads towards the viewer. The background is dark, with the silhouettes of trees and a few colorful light trails in the sky. The overall mood is one of guidance and empowerment.

EMPOWERED

TO WALK **HIS WAY**

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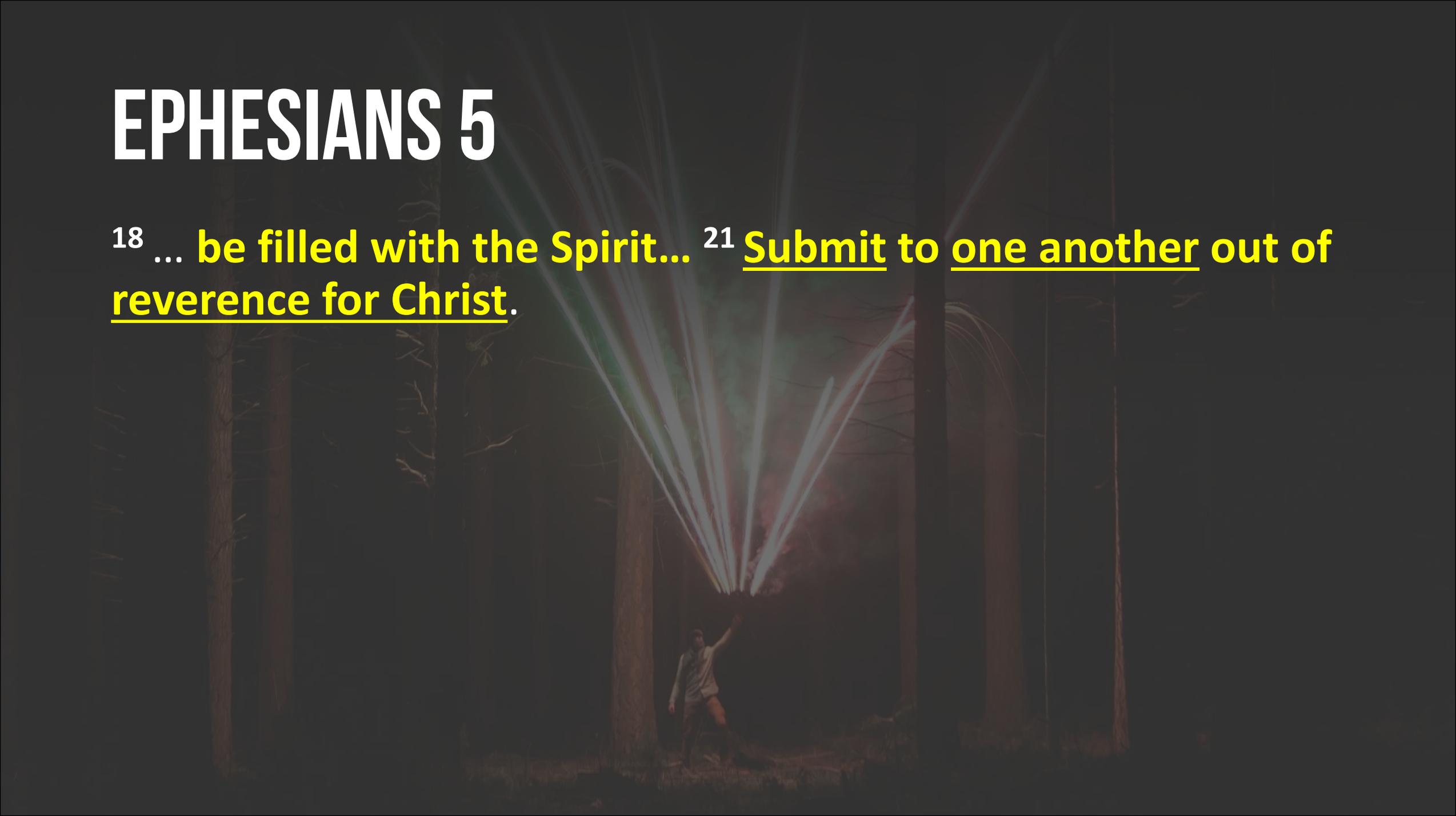


AUTHORITY & SUBMISSION

SUBMIT TO ONE ANOTHER OUT
OF REVERENCE FOR CHRIST.

EPHESIANS 5

18 ... **be filled with the Spirit...** 21 **Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.**

A person stands in a dark forest, holding a glowing orb that emits a fan of light rays in various colors (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple) towards the top of the frame. The scene is dimly lit, with the light from the orb illuminating the surrounding trees and the person's figure.

~~GOD~~

~~CREATES~~

US

~~DEFINES~~

RIGHT & WRONG

GOD ANSWERS OUR QUESTIONS ABOUT...

GENDER?

SEX?

MARRIAGE?

FAMILY?

~~PERFECT
POWERFUL
GOOD
WISE
JUST~~

DESIGNED WITH MEANING & PURPOSE; WE HAVE VALUE WHICH COMES FROM GOD

RIGHT & WRONG ARE NOT INTERNALLY DISCOVERED THEY ARE EXTERNALLY EXPLAINED BY GOD

“that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female,’⁵ 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’
Jesus: Matt 19

Family is meant to reflect God Himself (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) & Jesus’ relationship with the church

JESUS' HEADSHIP OF THE CHURCH

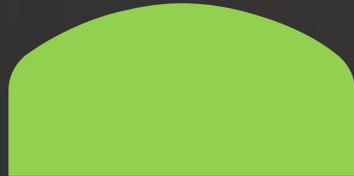
COLOSSIANS 1

¹⁸ ... and **He (*Jesus*) is the head of the body, the church**; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead...

CHRIST



CHURCH



THE CONCEPT OF HEADSHIP

Is meant to convey the idea of deeply connected servant leadership, protection, and provision

EPHESIANS 5:

W

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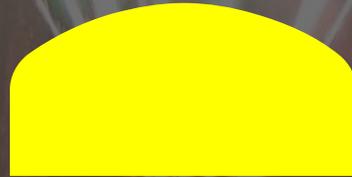
HEADSHIP AND SUBMISSION IN MARRIAGE

HEADSHIP is the divine calling of a husband to take primary responsibility for Christlike servant leadership, protection, and provision in the home.

SUBMISSION is the divine calling of a wife to honour and affirm her husband's leadership and help carry it through according to her gifts.



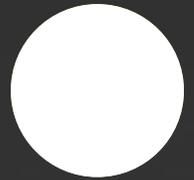
HUSBAND



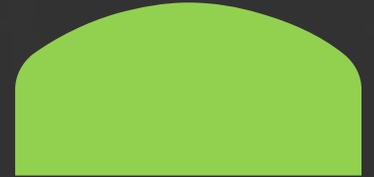
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A close-up photograph of a metal pipe pouring water into a pool. The water is captured in mid-air, creating a dynamic splash and ripples in the dark blue water below. The scene is dimly lit, with the primary light source highlighting the falling water and the metallic texture of the pipe. The overall mood is serene and contemplative, serving as a metaphor for the Holy Spirit's presence in a marriage.

**ALLOWING THE SPIRIT INTO OUR
MARRIAGES**