

Section 12 - 1 Peter 3:7

NIV - 7 Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers.

KJV - 7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

Phillips - 7 Similarly, you husbands should try to understand the wives you live with, honouring them as physically weaker yet equally heirs with you of the grace of eternal life. If you don't do this, you will find it impossible to pray properly.

NASB - 7 You husbands in the same way, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with someone weaker, since she is a woman; and show her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.

Amplified - 7 In the same way, you husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way [with great gentleness and tact, and with an intelligent regard for the marriage relationship], as with someone physically weaker, since she is a woman. Show her honor and respect as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered or ineffective.

- (v 7) Who is this section of scripture directed towards? How can you apply this passage if you are not a husband?
- Peter writes, “Husbands, in the same way be considerate”. What is Peter referring to here? In what way?
- What does it mean to live with our wives in an understanding, knowledgeable, and considerate way? What does that look like? How do you know you are achieving this?
- How are wives the weaker partner in a marriage relationship?
- What does it look like if you are showing your wife honor and respect?
- What is an heir? In what way is your wife a coheir?
- How is our life a gracious gift?
- Why might our prayers be hindered?
- What is something from our passage you are challenged to ponder further this week?

Isaiah 59 - 1 Surely the arm of the Lord is not too short to save,

nor his ear too dull to hear.

2 But your iniquities have separated you from your God;

your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear.

3 For your hands are stained with blood, your fingers with guilt.

Your lips have spoken falsely,

and your tongue mutters wicked things.

1 Timothy 3 - 1 Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task. 2 Now the overseer is to be above reproach, faithful to his wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, 3 not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. 4 He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him, and he must do so in a manner worthy of full respect. 5 (If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?) 6 He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. 7 He

must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap.