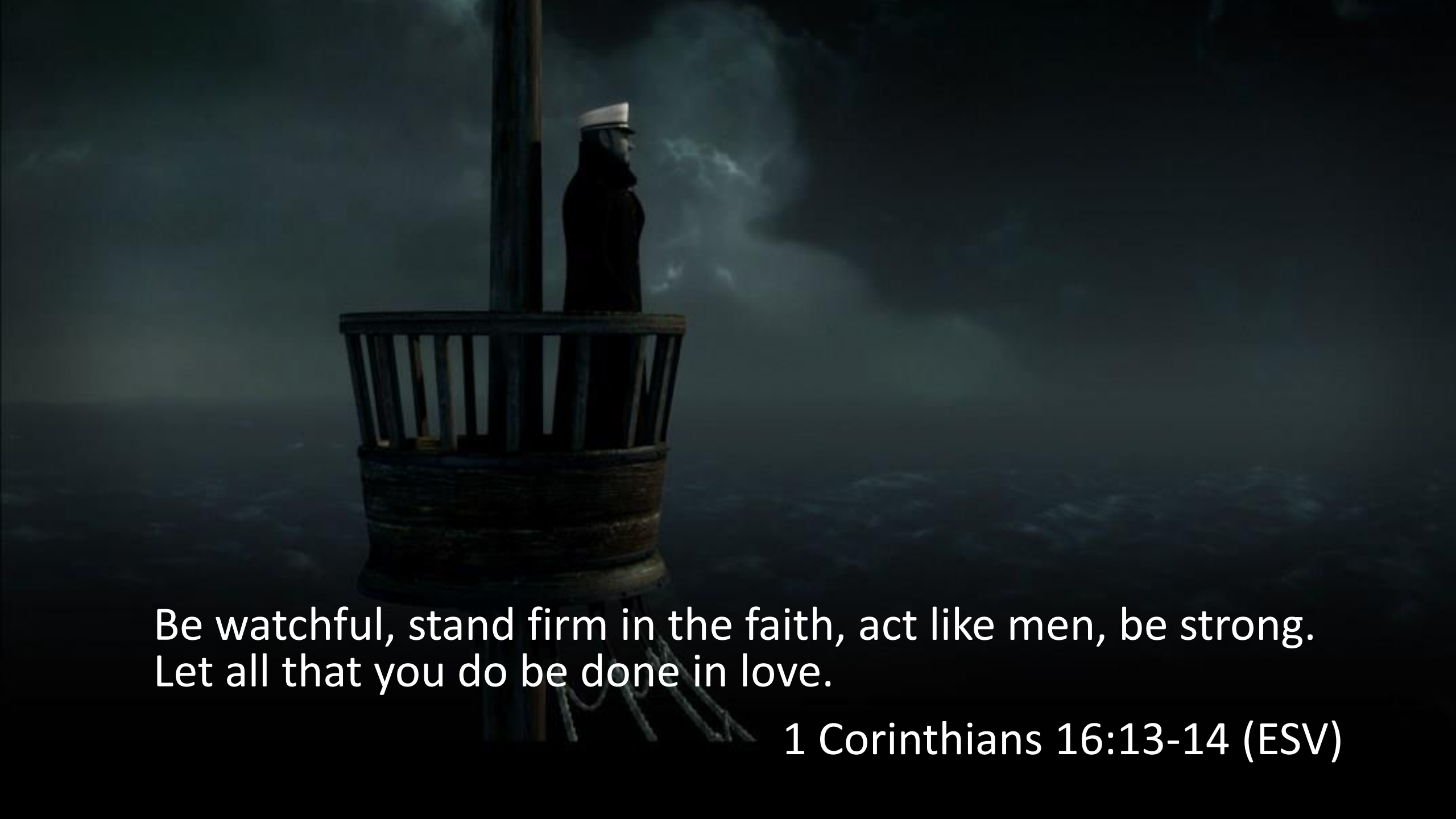




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Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.  
Let all that you do be done in love.

1 Corinthians 16:13-14 (ESV)

## Two Questions:

1. Is there a distinction between being male and being a man?
2. Do men have a unique responsibility as men?





Wives, submit yourselves to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

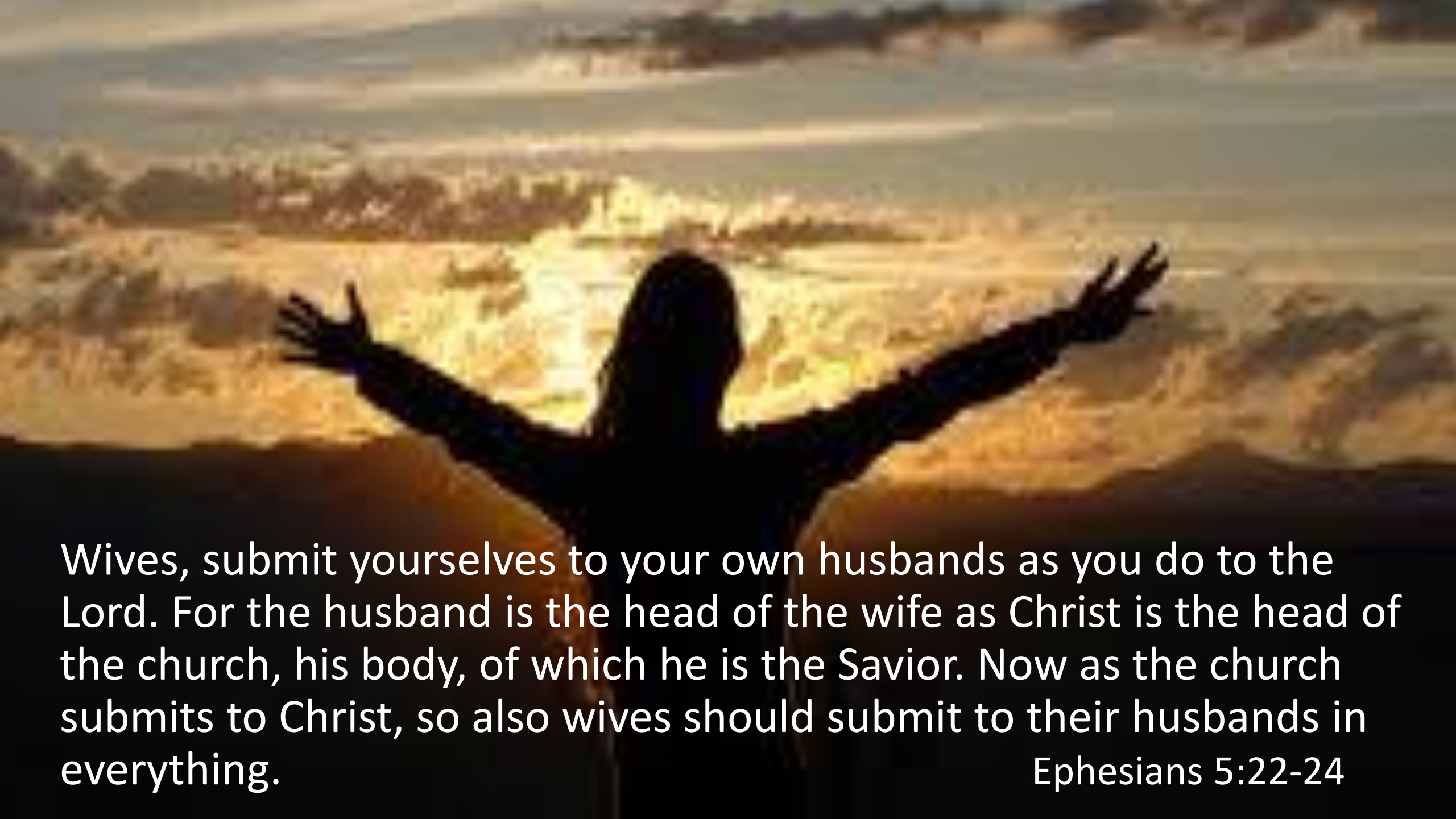
Colossians 3:18



A photograph showing the silhouettes of a man and a woman from behind, looking out at the ocean during a sunset. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and light blue, and the water is dark with some whitecaps. The couple is positioned in the foreground, with the man on the right and the woman on the left.

Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

Colossians 3:19



Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. 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. Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

Ephesians 5:22-24

Husbands, love your wives,  
just as Christ loved the church  
and gave himself up for her  
to make her holy, cleansing her  
by the washing with water  
through the word, and to  
present her to himself as a  
radiant church, without stain  
or wrinkle or any other blemish,  
but holy and blameless.

Ephesians 5:25-27





In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church – for we are members of his body.

Ephesians 5:28-29





For this reason a man will leave his father  
and mother and be united to his wife,  
and the two shall become one flesh.

Ephesians 5:31

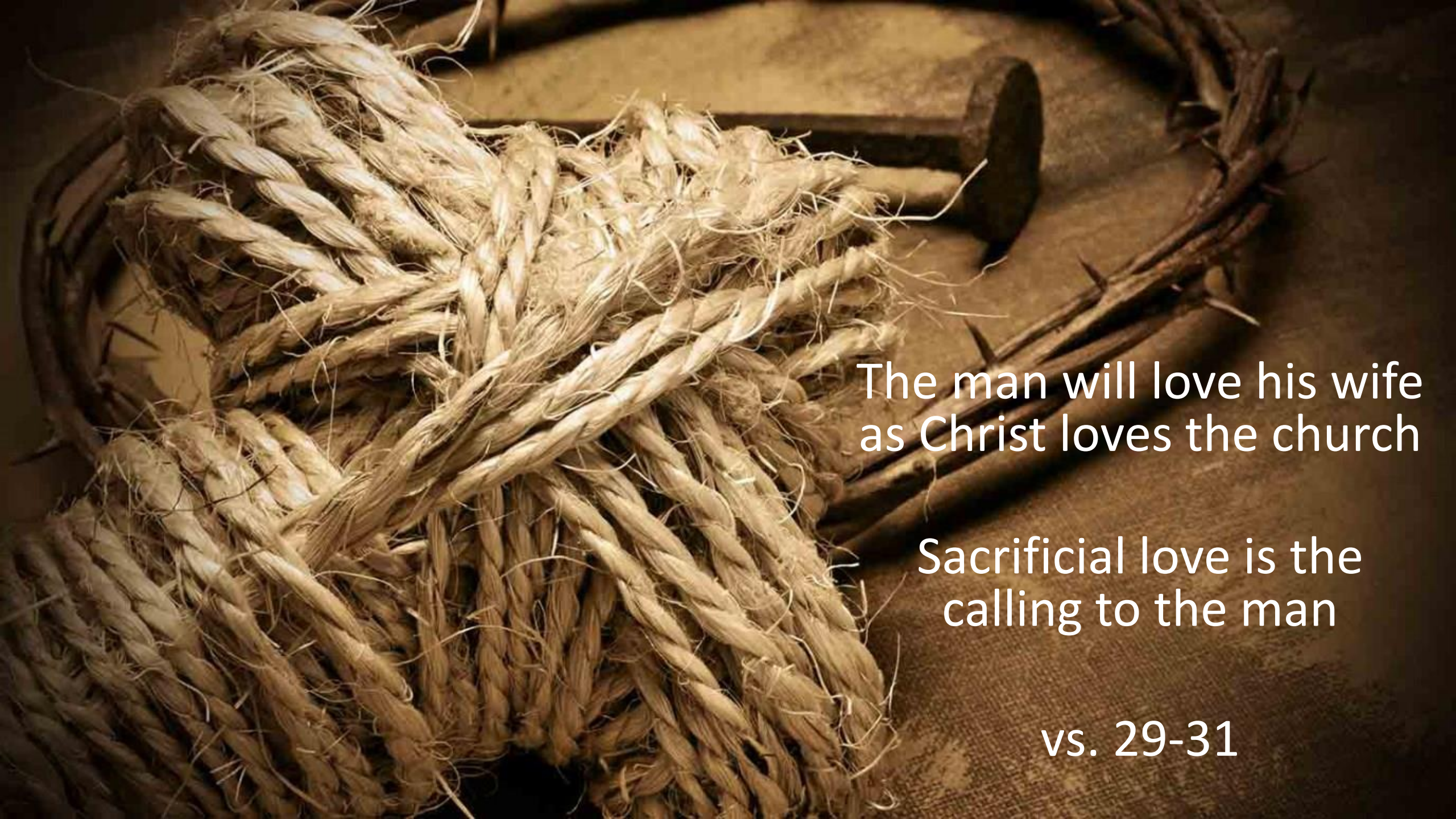


Husbands love your wives as Christ loved the church...

vs. 25-28







The man will love his wife  
as Christ loves the church

Sacrificial love is the  
calling to the man

vs. 29-31



The man sets the Spiritual Direction – he sets the climate







The man has been given physical care



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