



**Choreography:
How to enjoy the dance of
differing needs and roles in
marriage**

Recapturing Your Dream for Marriage
(part 4)

Ephesians 5:25-33

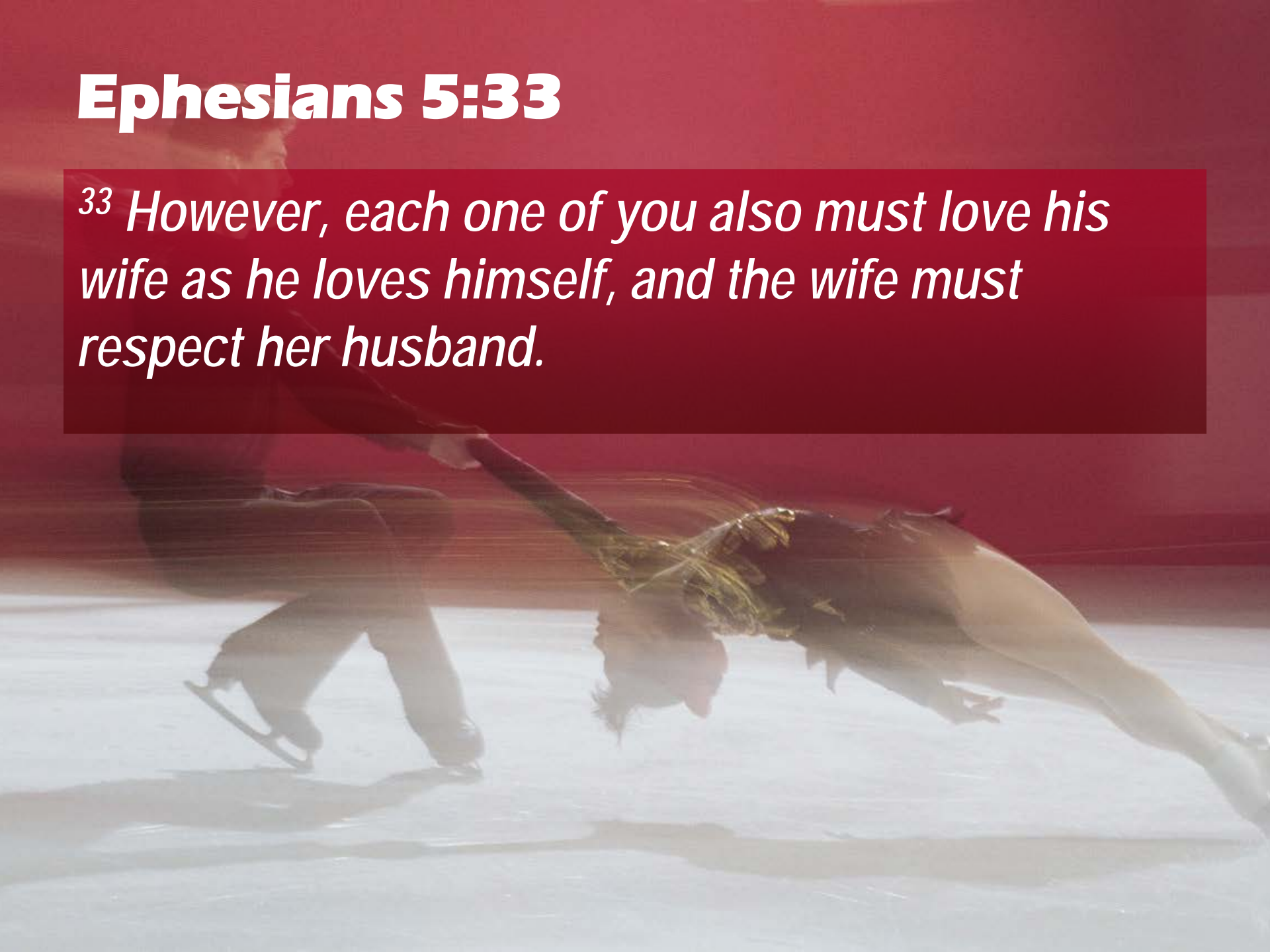
Review

A couple is shown in a bathtub, with the man on the left and the woman on the right. They are both looking towards the right side of the frame. The background is a solid red color. The text is overlaid on the image.

- **Wk. 1- Challenge:** Amidst the challenges of marriage, establishing and pursuing a growing relationship with God is a crucial element in recapturing your dream for oneness
- **Wk. 2- Communication:** If you listen with understanding and speak in the love language of your spouse, then you will have meaningful communication in your marriage
- **Wk. 3- Conflict:** In order to resolve conflicts, we must realize that only God has true objectivity, give up our right to be right, go for the win/win, and determine to give blessings for insults

Ephesians 5:33

³³ However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.



Husbands: Love & Lead

- Ephesians 5:25-32



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²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶ to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, ²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. ²⁸ In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

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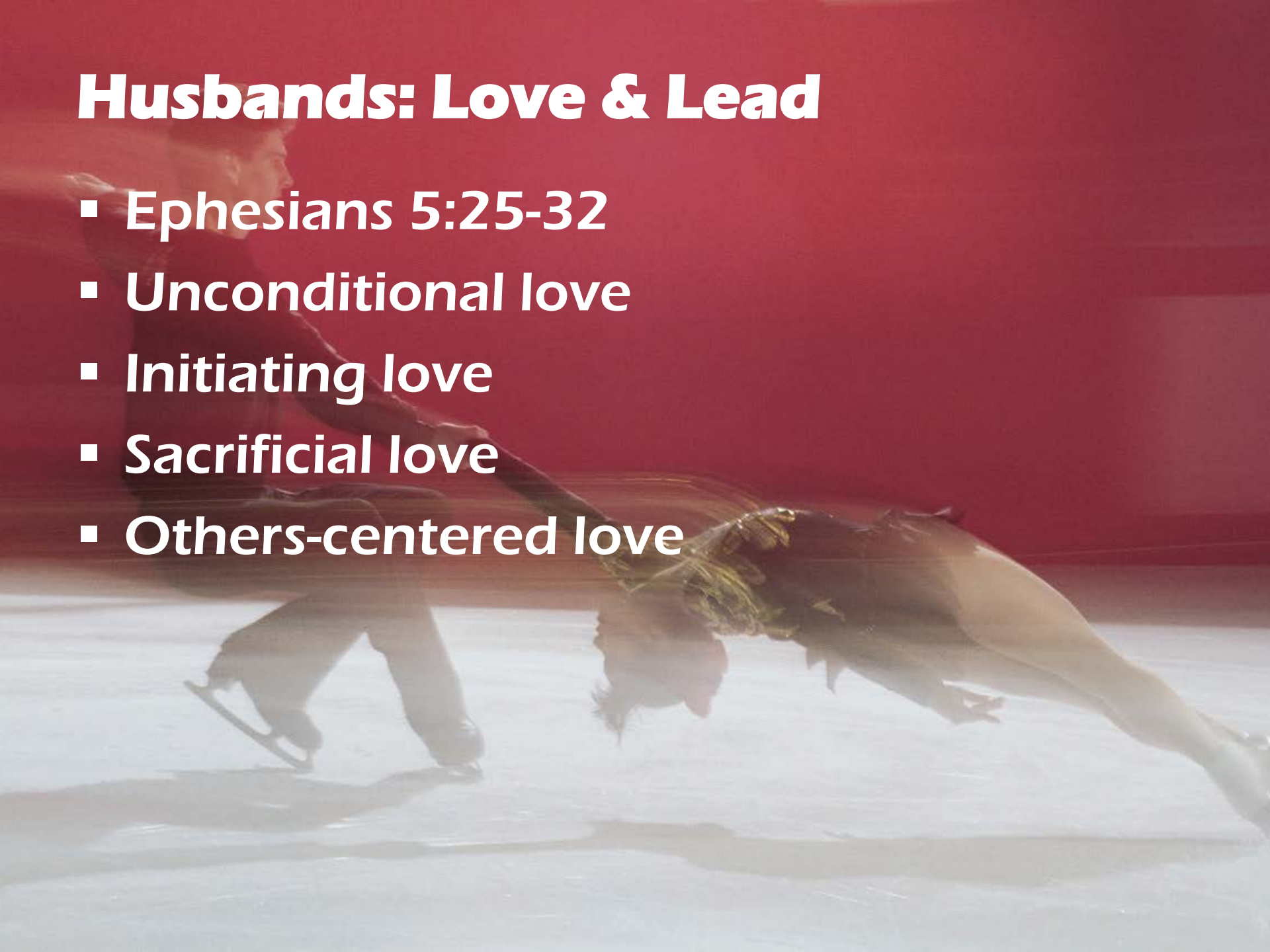
²⁹ After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church—³⁰ for we are members of his body. ³¹

“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” ³² This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church.

Ephesians 5:25-32

Husbands: Love & Lead

- Ephesians 5:25-32
- Unconditional love
- Initiating love
- Sacrificial love
- Others-centered love



Husbands: Love & Lead

Ephesians 5:25-33	Men can tend to be...	Women can tend to wonder...
LOVE & LEAD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Self-centered- Passive	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Am I worth loving?- What does the future hold?- Who will care for me/us?

Wives: Respect & Submit

- Ephesians 5:22-24

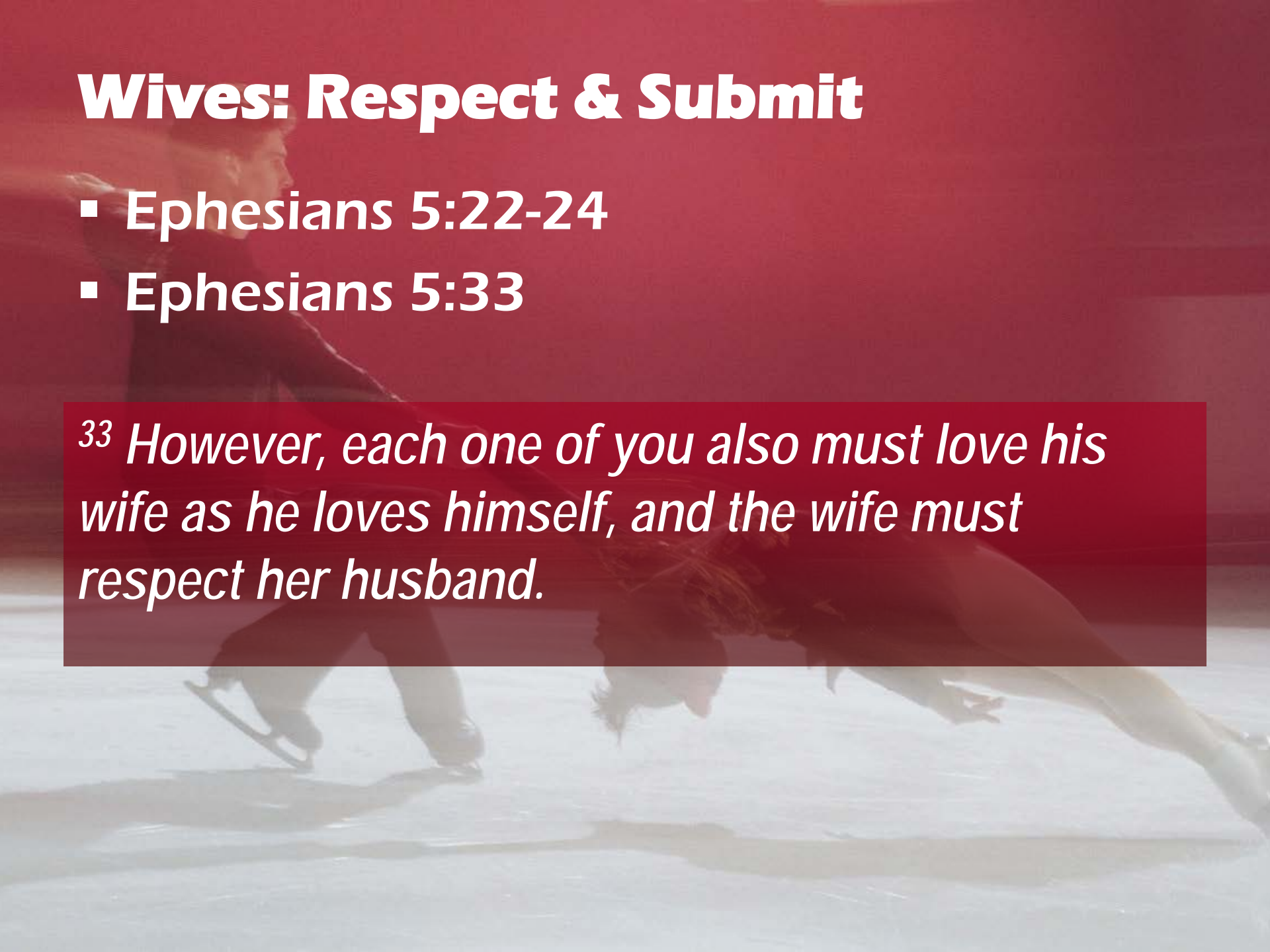
²² Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord.

²³ 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. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

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Wives: Respect & Submit

Ephesians 5:22-24, 33	Women can tend to be...	Men can tend to wonder...
RESPECT & FOLLOW	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Critical- Controlling	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Do I have what it takes?



conclusion

**husbands need to love & lead,
and
wives need to respect & submit**

*In the dance of marriage,
God is the choreographer....
The dance should point
people to the choreographer.*

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