

Ephesians 5:23

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.

Analysis

[Verse 5:23 text would be quoted here] This verse in Ephesians chapter 5 addresses theological theme. Key Greek terms include to be determined.

The theological focus is doctrinal emphasis, demonstrating Paul's emphasis on the cosmic Christ and the church as His body/bride/temple. The phrase emphasizes union with Christ as the foundation of all spiritual blessings.

Historical Context

Written during Paul's Roman imprisonment (60-62 CE), this verse in chapter 5 reflects the circular letter's purpose to multiple Asian churches. Ephesus was a major center of pagan worship (Artemis cult) and early Christianity, making Paul's teachings on spiritual warfare and Christian unity particularly relevant.

Related Passages

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 5:23 about verse-specific transform your daily walk with Christ?
2. What does this verse teach about theological theme that challenges modern Christian practice?
3. How can you apply the theological principle of doctrinal emphasis in your relationships and witness?

Interlinear Text

ὅτι ὁ ἀνήρ ἐστίν κεφαλὴ τῆς γυναικὸς ὡς καὶ^{For} G3588 **the husband** ^{is} G2076 **is the head** G3588 ^{of the wife} G1135 ^{as} G5613 ^{and} G2532
G3754 G435 G2776 G2776 G1577 G2532 G6846 G2076

ὁ Χριστὸς κεφαλὴ τῆς ἐκκλησίας καὶ αὐτὸς ἐστίν
G3588 **Christ** **is the head** G3588 **of the church** and **he** **is**
G5547 G2776 G1577 G2532 G6846 G2076

σωτὴρ τοῦ σώματος·
the saviour G3588 **of the body** G4983

Additional Cross-References

Colossians 1:18 (Parallel theme): And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

Ephesians 4:15 (References Christ): But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: