

# Ephesians 5:31

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

## Analysis

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**[Verse 5:31 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

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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

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**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

## Study Questions

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1. How does the truth of Ephesians 5:31 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

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ἀντὶ τούτου καταλείπει ἄνθρωπος τὸν πατέρα αὐτοῦ  
**For** **this cause** **leave** **a man** G3588 **father** G846  
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καὶ τὴν μητέρα καὶ προσκολληθήσεται πρὸς τὴν  
**and** G3588 **mother** **and** **shall be joined** **unto** G3588  
G2532 G3384 G2532 G4347 G4314

γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ καὶ ἔσονται οἱ δύο εἰς σάρκα μίαν  
**wife** G846 **and** **shall be** G3588 **they two** **one** **flesh** G1520  
G1135 G2532 G2071 G1417 G1519 G4561

## Additional Cross-References

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**Genesis 2:24** (Parallel theme): Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

**Matthew 19:5** (Parallel theme): And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?

**1 Corinthians 6:16** (Parallel theme): What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh.