

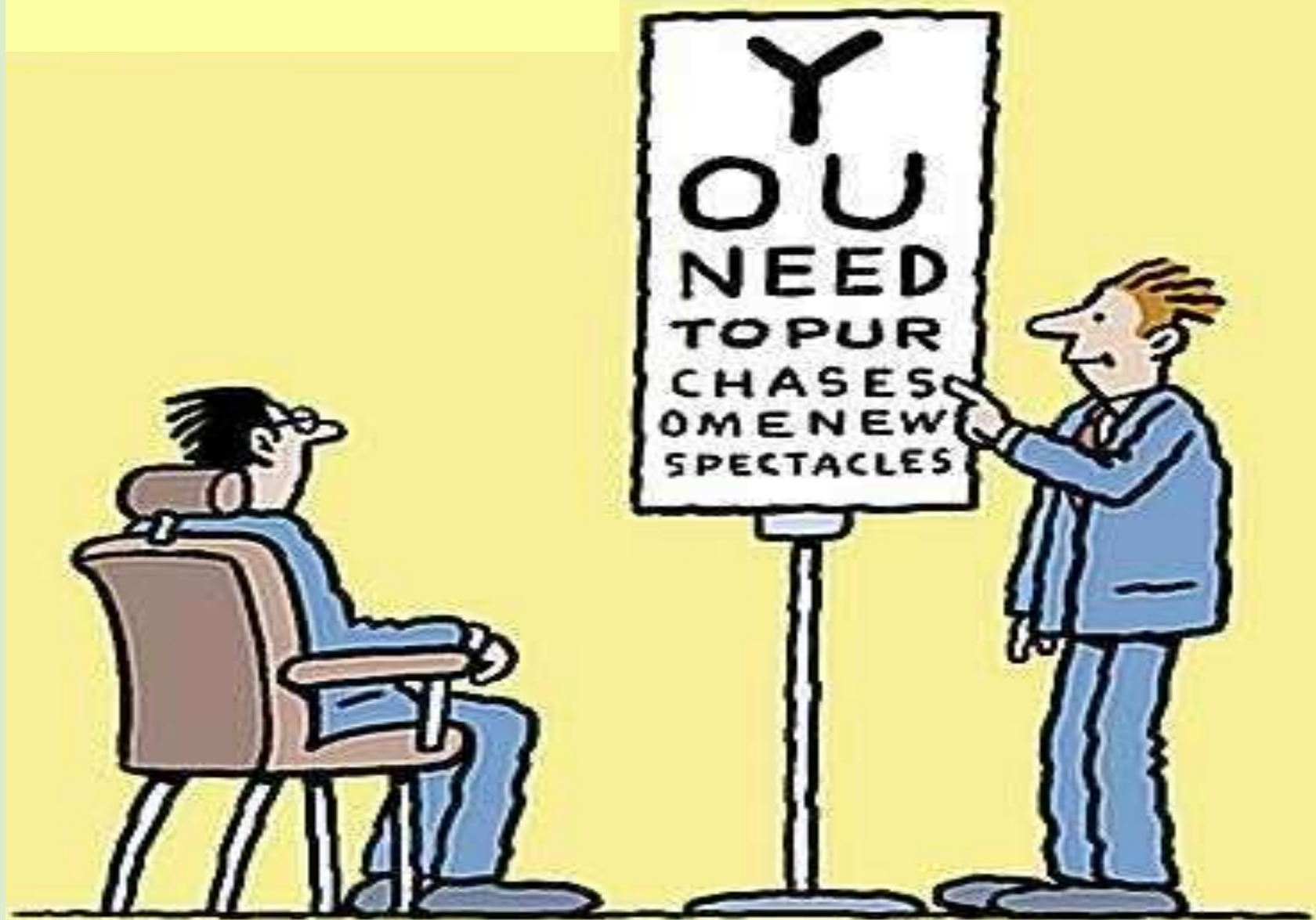
The Subliminal Message



1 Peter 3:1-7

Definition of a Subliminal Message

A sensory stimulus, imbedded in a more obvious phenomena, that is so subtle that one is not aware of its existence but may in some manner respond to it.



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The Context of Today's Message

In the same way... (3:1 and 7)

1 Peter 2:17

**Honor everyone. Love the family of
believers. Fear God. Honor the
emperor.**^{NRS}

1 Peter 2:13

For the Lord's sake... NRS

- **accept the authority of every human institution**
- **submission of slave and master**

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. NRS

**Living our lives out of God's
healing rather than our suffering,
so we can effectively be God's
people, who are going about
God's business.**

Wives and Husbands

1 Peter 3:1-2

Wives, in the same way, accept the authority of your husbands, so that, even if some of them do not obey the word, they may be won over without a word by their wives' conduct, when they see the reverence and purity of your lives.

Pointing to Christ, Without Saying a Word

**Relationship: Believing wives and
nominal or unbelieving
husbands.**

**Goal: That they may be won over to
Christ**



Observed reverence: Respect for God that is the foundation for respecting other people.

REVERENCE

Remembering what God has done,
Examples of his love;
Valuing those who know His Name,
Electing to meet with them;
Rejoicing for all sins forgiven,
Elated in His presence;
Never fearing what comes, I am
Convinced that I will be
Eternally praising His Name!

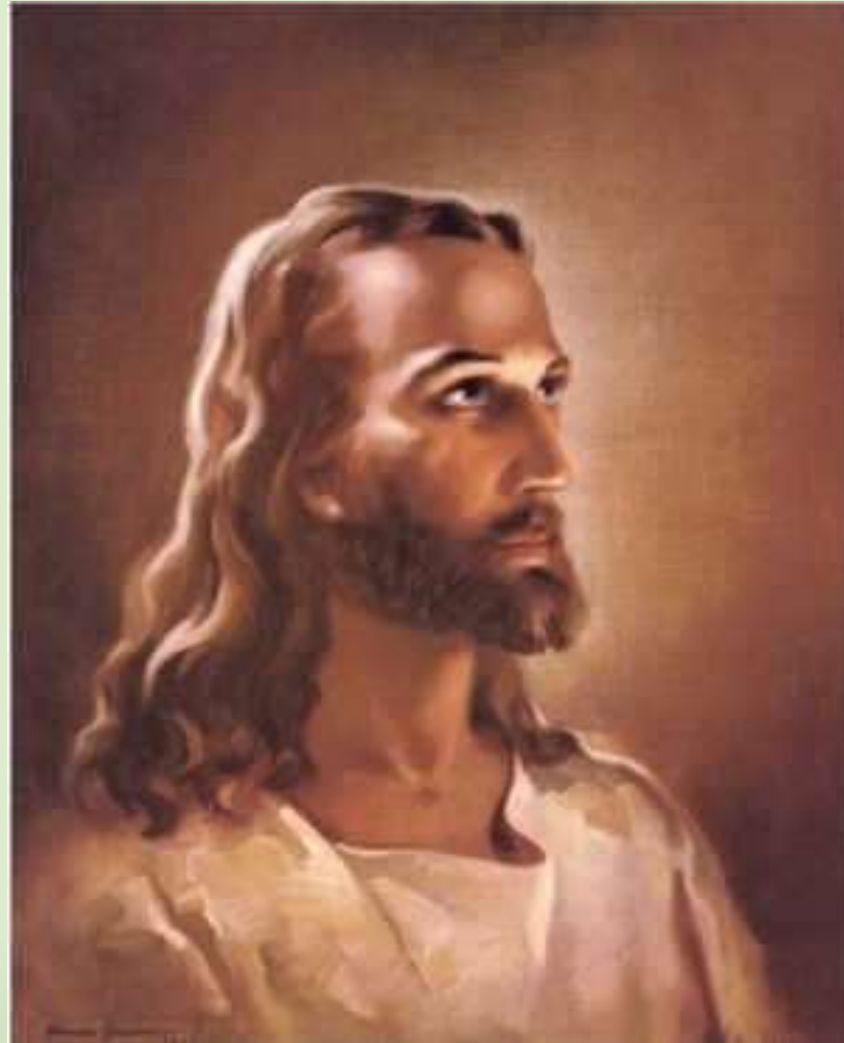
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Action: Conduct rather than words.

Observed purity: Purity in the biblical sense is both physical and spiritual.

The physical has to do with our bodily interaction with the world.

Drinking, language, smoking, gambling, what we view...



**The spiritual Is all about idolatry.
What do others observe us putting
before God in our lives?**



**It's not about
having nice things,
it's where these
things appear on
ones list of
priorities**

Pointing to Christ, With Your Inner Self

1 Peter 3:3-4

Do not adorn yourselves outwardly by braiding your hair, and by wearing gold ornaments or fine clothing; rather, let your adornment be the inner self with the lasting beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in God's sight. ^{NRS}



God Knows The Inner Self

Psalm 44:20-21

If we had forgotten the name of our God, or spread out our hands to a strange god, would not God discover this? For he knows the secrets of the heart. NRS



Acts 15:8

And God, who knows the human heart, testified to them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as he did to us; ^{NRS}

Sarah as an Example

1 Peter 3:5-6

It was in this way long ago that the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves by accepting the authority of their husbands. Thus Sarah obeyed Abraham and called him master, (“sir”). You have become her daughters as long as you do what is good and never let fears alarm you.

Jesus Loves

You

Pointing others to Christ with an inner quiet, that is powerful. Pointing others to Christ with a fearless hope in God, that is infectious. Pointing others to Christ by the little, sometimes imperceptible, subliminal things, that are imbedded in who we are, and all we do.

Hope in God

God loves deep inner beauty. Purity and reverence are sure signs of a holiness that does not need to be displayed or even spoken of, it just is. This is a state of being defined by hope in God's eternal love. A hope that points others to the Lord of grace and salvation. God sees hope, for those around us it is subliminal.



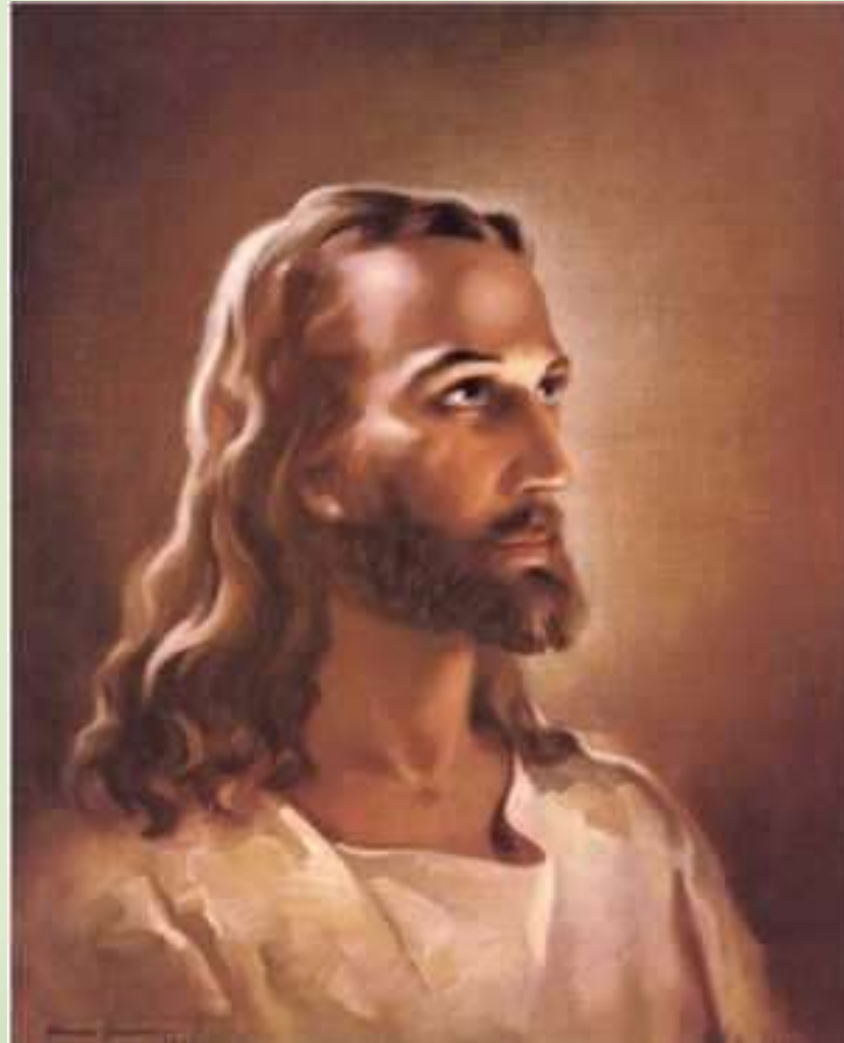
Doing good for the sake of Christ.

Deeds that point others to Christ.

**Often our deeds go unnoticed,
especially the sacrificial ones.**

**However, God sees our deeds. For
others, our desire and love to do for
God is subliminally embedded into
who we are for them to discover.**

A Fearless inner self boldly points to Christ. A quiet, steadfast, confidence, that only God knows, sits at the depths of the holy woman. This in turn subliminally effects both themselves and those around them in a powerful way. A way that only God truly knows.



Husbands Pay Honor to Your Wives

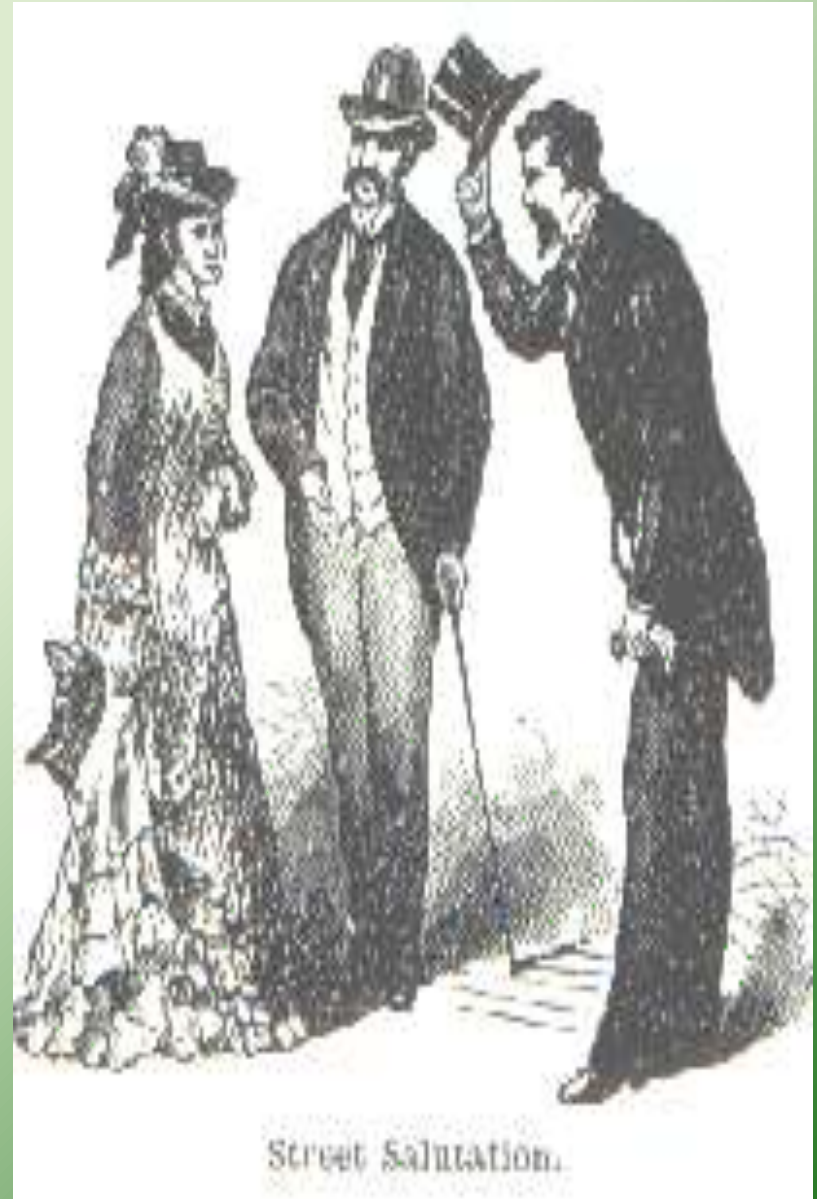
1 Peter 3:7

Husbands, in the same way, show consideration for your wives in your life together, paying honor to the woman as the weaker sex, since they too are also heirs of the gracious gift of life-- so that nothing may hinder your prayers.^{NRS}

Honoring Women

Proverbs 31:31

**Give her a share in
the fruit of her
hands, and let her
works praise her in
the city gates.** NRS





“Being” Pure & Reverent

Spiritual purity and reverence

Moral purity and reverence

Ethical purity and reverence

Sexual purity and reverence

Building strong marriages and families

Sacrificial Love

Protection

All based on Biblical values

The Consequences Are Dire

...so that nothing may hinder your prayers.

Guys, failure to “BE”, at our very core, honorable to our wives or women in general, directly impacts our relationship with the Lord.

Jesus Loves

You

Failure to honor our wives points others away from Christ. When we honor our wives we honor the Lord. Each act of honor is an embedded (subliminal) witness for God to others.

Wives and Husbands, Men and Women



**We become
subliminal
witnesses for the
Lord to a lost world,
every time we
honor one another.**

Holding a door

Holding hands

Out with the family or friends

Making time for one another

A public hug

A smile

A kiss

A public prayer

**Seeking to do all we can for one another as
we lead each other along the journey.**

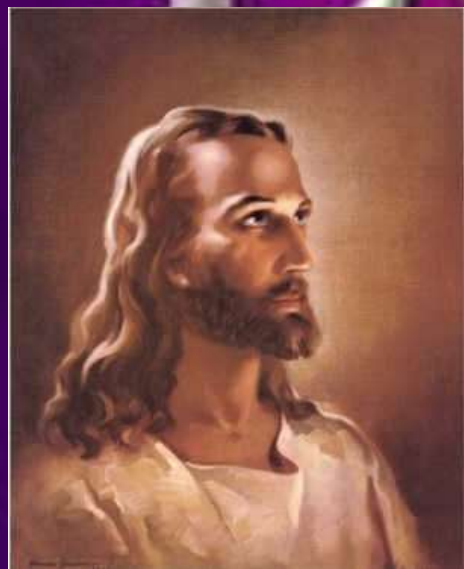




A people who have God, and the things of God, embedded within us so as to be subliminal witnesses to a lost and dying world

God's living breathing message to the world is delivered through you and me when, we least expect it!

Jesus
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Let
us
Pray

