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# THE DOCTRINE OF THE DANCE

1 PETER 3:1–2



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**1 Pet. 3:1, “Wives, likewise, be submissive to your own husbands, that even if some do not obey the word, they, without a word, may be won by the conduct of their wives,**

**1 Pet. 3:2, “when they observe your chaste conduct accompanied by fear.”**

# The Doctrine of the Dance



## **Warning**

**Lam. 5:15, “The joy of our heart has ceased; our dance has turned into mourning.”**

**1. Dancing involves teamwork with clearly defined rules and roles for each member of the team.**

**Eph. 5:22–33; Col. 3:18–4:1;  
1 Peter 3:1–7**

**2. Two people cannot dance together without a common goal.**

**Amos 3:3 KJV, “How can two walk together unless they are in agreement?”**

**3. Like any team, dancing has specifically defined roles for the two participants. In dancing, the male is the leader and the woman is the follower. This means the man initiates, plans, directs the movements of the woman.**

**4. In the dance the leader and follower positions are not related to the skill level of the dancers. The male-leader may be less graceful and skilled than the partner, yet she yields to his leadership in grace.**

**5. In dancing each person has specific footwork that must be learned and practiced in order to develop grace and fluidity. This demands thought and concentration. When emotion takes over mistakes occur.**

**6. In dancing, the male through good leads can make his partner look graceful and keep her from making mistakes.**

**7. The male as the leader plans and initiates the various moves, he must always be thinking 5 or 6 steps ahead. He must be thinking about where they are going on the dance floor, where other people or obstacles exist, and how to avoid them. He must maintain control because the woman cannot see where they are going.**

**8. In the dance the leader must learn and study his partner to know how to lead her effectively.**

**9. The man must learn to listen to his partner.**

**10. The woman must learn to communicate to the man without challenging his tender male ego.**

**11. The woman must learn to let the man lead.**

**12. The woman is unaware of where the man is going and of his plans, she must constantly be ready to respond and shift according to his lead. This means she must develop incredible amounts of flexibility.**

**13. The woman must continue to follow as best she can no matter how faulty his leadership. If the man is a failure in his leadership, she can still be a success in her role.**

**14. Trouble starts when they quit thinking and start emoting, taking one another for granted and thinking things will just happen on their own. They won't. The moment you stop thinking, you put everything in danger.**

**15. Success ultimately is based on consistency and practice. Many mistakes are made, but as long as the goal is kept by the two, it can be accomplished.**

**16. As the two work together, mutual respect and admiration develop. Confidence increases.**

**Eph. 5:21, “submitting to one another in the fear of God.”**

**Eph. 5:22, “Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.**

**Eph. 5:23, “For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.**

**Eph. 5:24, “Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.”**

**Eph. 5:32, “This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.**

**Eph. 5:33, “Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.”**