



- A. The false hope of external adornment (**1 Peter 3:3**)
 - 1. An unbelieving husband may be won without words, but he won't be won by mere external adornment (**1 Peter 3:1-3**)
 - 2. External beauty standards ought to come from God not the world around us because Christian wives are Exiles (**1 Peter 3:3; 1 Timothy 2:9-10**)
- B. The internal adornment that is precious in God's sight (**1 Peter 3:4**)
 - 1. The adornment priority is on the hidden personhood that comes from the heart (**1 Peter 3:4; Proverbs 4:23; 1 Peter 1:22; Matthew 15:7-9, 17-20; 1 Samuel 16:7**)
 - 2. Beauty works from the inside out (**Matthew 23:25-28; Proverbs 11:22; Proverbs 31:30**)
 - 3. Imperishable beauty is a gentle and quiet disposition (**1 Peter 3:4; Matthew 5:5; Matthew 11:29**)

1 PETER 3:3-4

Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as elaborate hairstyles and the wearing of gold jewelry or fine clothes.⁴ Rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight.

SERMON REFLECTIONS

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1. What is submission? What is the reason a wife submits to her own husband?
2. What is the divine purpose in Peter's letter for a wife's submission to her husband? How does this help us know why Peter mentions jewelry and fashion?

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3. How can prioritizing the imperishable beauty of the hidden person be applied to women? How can it be applied to men?

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4. What is a gentle and quiet disposition? Why do you think this is called an imperishable beauty?

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5. In what way does this text have a Godward orientation?