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- What Do We Mean By Submit?
  - Modern definition: "The act or fact of accepting or yielding to a <u>superior force</u> or to the <u>will</u> or <u>authority</u> of another person."
  - ► The word in Ephesians 5:21 is *Hupotasso*:
    - In non-military use, it was a voluntary attitude of giving in, cooperation, assuming responsibility, and carrying a burden.
    - Mark 9:34-35

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- ► The Heart of Submission is Love:
  - Submission, Biblically, comes down to putting the needs of others first.
    - 1 Corinthians 13:5
  - This can be difficult in a culture of individual rights.

1 Corinthians 8:9-9:2;

Matthew 22:34-40

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- How Can I Better Submit to One Another?
  - ► Three guiding principles:
  - 1. Submission begins with then right attitude. Philippians 2:4-8
  - 2. It continues with discernment. Romans 14:1-9, 18-22
  - 3. It is strengthened when we recognized and continually affirm that we have the same goal.

Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 Peter 2:16-17