"GOD'S PORTRAITS IN THE MARRIAGE RELATIONSHIP"

TEXT: Col. 1:18; Eph. 5:25-33

PROPOSITION: We ought to see what God is picturing in the marriage relationship and reflect this in our marriage

God is picturing...

I. THE LEADERSHIP ROLE WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN CRHIST AND THE CHURCH (Eph. 5:22-24)

- 1. Christ is the head of the church and it is supposed to be submissive to His leadership
- 2. When a wife is submissive to her husband she is picturing that same thing in her marriage

II. THE LOVING RELATIONSHIP WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN CHRIST AND THE CHURCH (Eph. 5:25)

- 1. Christ loved His bride, the church, enough to die for her
- 2. When a husband loves his wife in a sacrificial way he is picturing the same thing in his marriage

III. THE LASTING ROMANCE AND RELATIONSHIP WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN CHRIST AND THE CHURCH

- 1. Christ and the church have entered into a permanent relationship which will never end (Jn. 10:28,29)
- 2. When a husband and wife stay together they picture that kind of permanent relationship