Stand Firm: Standing Firm in Marriage Sermon # 11, 1 Peter 3:1-12

Main Point: Win the Super Bowl of marriage by following the Coach's game plan.

Getting to Know You

1. Who did you want to win the Super Bowl and why? What do you think was the turning point of the game?

Getting into the Book

Read 1 Peter 2:9, 12

1. What is God's overall purpose for your marriage?

Read 1 Peter 5:8

2. What is Satan's goal for your marriage?

Read 1 Peter 3:1-7

- 3. What are some difficulties of being married to a non-Christian?
- 4. What practical instructions does God give Christian wives for impacting their non-Christian husbands for Christ?
- 5. In what specific ways does a wife's submission benefit a marriage?
- 6. How are Christian husbands commanded to treat their wives? How does a husband's loving leadership benefit a marriage?

Read 1 Peter 3:8-12

- 7. Why is it important that a husband and wife be united as a team?
- 8. What practical instruction(s) can you put into practice for your own marriage from these verses?

Getting Out There

- 9. What impact can a strong Christian marriage have on our world today?
- 10. Pretend a married friend came to you and confessed that he and his wife (or she and her husband) were having conflict. How would you counsel him / her from this passage?

Pray

Spend time in prayer for any specific marital needs in your group. Pray also for the salvation of any unsaved spouses represented in the group. And pray for God to strengthen each of your marriages for His fame.