

Choosing Submission Over Control

1. Life works best when you trust God's perspective.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.
Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV

2. The bigger the decision, the more important God's will.

"Abba, Father," Jesus cried out, "everything is possible for you. Please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine."
Mark 14:36 NLT

The (bad) example of Abraham: Genesis 13:16, 15:2, 16:1-2

3. Temptation is overcome by submission, not willpower.

So then, submit yourselves to God. Resist the Devil, and he will run away from you.
James 4:7 GNT

4. All relationships should be based on submission.

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.
Ephesians 5:21 NIV

5. It's hard to have both closeness and control in a relationship.

Then the Lord God said to the woman, "I will make your pains in childbearing very severe; with painful labor you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you."

Genesis 3:16 NIV