

Life Together
Colossians 3:18-4:1
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Verse: Col 3:23-25

Homework: Colossians 4

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- Wives/ Husbands 3:18-19
 - Wives 18
 - “Submit” (not “obey!”) – See Ephesians 5:22-24; 33
 - “In the Lord” - The priority position is in Christ!
 - Husbands 19
 - “Love” - To act in her best interest. See Eph. 5:25-33!
 - “Do not be harsh with them.” – See Colossians 3:12!
 - Note: Both partners have the priority of the Lordship of Christ.
- Children/ Fathers 3:20-21
 - Children 20
 - “Obey your parents in everything” (See Ephesians 6:1-2)
 - “This pleases the Lord” – Lordship of Christ!
 - Fathers 21
 - “Do not provoke” - constant irritation/prodding/ poking.
 - “They will become discouraged.” - lose heart and give up!
- Slaves/ Masters 3:22-4:1
 - Slaves 22-25
 - “Obey your earthly masters in everything” – See above.
 - “Sincerity of heart and reverence for **the Lord.**”
 - Masters 1
 - “Right and fair” – a call to justice and equity.
 - “You also have a Master in heaven!”
 - Compare: Earthly master vs. Heavenly Master!
- The Lordship of Christ 3:23-25
 - The difference Jesus makes 23
 - Who do you work for? Working for the Lord
 - Put your all into it!/ Give it your all!
 - Three reasons: 24-25
 - You will receive an inheritance/ reward!
 - It is the Lord Christ you are serving!
 - Anyone who does wrong will be repaid...

Key:

- Life together: He is Lord!

Application:

- Who is in charge? (What clothes are you wearing?)