

COLOSSIANS

"God's Blueprint for Relationships" Colossians 3:18-4:1 October 26, 2025

Read Colossians 3:18-4:1

God's design for <u>husbands</u> & wives

Husbands <u>love</u> your wife & don't be bitter towards her Ephesians 5:25; 1 Corinthians 13:4-5

Wives submit to your husband which pleases the Lord Ephesians 5:22-24

God's design for children & parents

Children obey your parents which pleases the Lord Ephesians 6:1-3; Proverbs 1:8; 20:11

Parents don't exasperate them so they won't lose heart Ephesians 6:4

God's design for employees & employers

Employees Ephesians 5:5-8

- ✓ Do your work
- ✓ Do your <u>best</u>
- ✓ Do your work for the <u>Lord</u>
- ✓ Do know there is a reward (good or bad)

Employers Ephesians 5:9

- ✓ Be just & fair
- ✓ Be reminded of your Master

Our Response:

- 1) How can husbands demonstrate sacrificial, servant-hearted love to their wives this week? How will you do that this week?
- 2) In what ways can wives show respect and support to their husbands "as unto the Lord"? How will you do that this week?
- 3) What practical steps could you take to make your home a more Christcentered place of mutual love and honor?
- 4) Why is a child's obedience to parents pleasing to the Lord? How can you be more pleasing to the Lord this week with your obedience, respect, and love?
- 5) If you're a parent, how can you discipline in a way that builds up rather than discourages your children?
- 6) What would "working diligently & wholeheartedly for the Lord" look like in your current job or school setting?
- 7) How does this passage call you to see every relationship home, family, and work as a way to serve and honor Christ?