

Colossians – The Supremacy of Christ #9

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“A New Me Means New Relationships”

Colossians 3:18-4:18

New Relationships mean I make the choice to be:

1. _____

Colossians 3:18-4:1 (NIV) ¹⁸ Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. ¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them. ²⁰ Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. ²¹ Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged. ²² Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to win their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord. ²³ Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, ²⁴ since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. ²⁵ Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong, and there is no favoritism. ¹ Masters, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven.

• **Wives:** Key word – _____ 3:18

Submit does not mean: _____

Submit does mean: _____ submits

Submission _____

• **Husbands:** Key word – _____ 3:19

Ephesians 5:25 (NIV) Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her.

• **Children:** Key word – _____ 3:20

• **Fathers:** Key word – _____ 3:21

3 “don’t” for dads:

Don’t _____; Don’t _____; Don’t _____

• **Slaves:** Key word – _____ 3:22-25

• **Masters:** Key word – _____ 4:1

2. _____

Colossians 4:2 (NIV) Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

1 Thessalonians 5:17 (NIV) Pray continually

John 5:17 (NIV) Jesus said to them, “My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I, too, am working.”

Five things to be thankful for every day:

God’s _____ Hebrews 13:5-6; _____

Philippians 4:19; _____ Romans 5:8; _____

2 Corinthians 1:20; _____ Romans 8:28

3. _____

Colossians 4:3-6 (NIV) ³ And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. ⁴ Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. ⁵ Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. ⁶ Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

Wisdom in the way you: _____ people without Christ;

_____ people without Christ; _____ people without Christ

4. _____ 4: 7-18

What genuine fellowship means:

Tychicus – _____ **Onesimus** – _____

Mark – _____ **Aristarcus & Luke** – _____

Demas – _____ **Epaphras** – _____

Nympha – _____ **Archippus** – _____

July memory verse: Colossians 3:17 (NIV) Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.