

COLOSSIANS: THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST

HEAD OVER ALL RULE AND AUTHORITY

SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD

PRE-EMINENT

ALL WISDOM & KNOWLEDGE

REDEEMER

HEAD OF THE CHURCH

HIGHEST

MYSTERY

LORD JESUS

RECONCILER

MASTER

BEST

SUPERIOR

ULTIMATE

TRIUMPHANT

FIRST-BORN OF ALL CREATION

IN HIM ALL THINGS HOLD TOGETHER

DELIVERER

MIGHTY

ABSOLUTE

PEACE-GIVER

CREATOR

FULLNESS OF DEITY IN BODILY FORM

Blueprints for Life Together!

Colossians 3:17-25

Wives, be subject to your husbands!

(v.18)

- Marriage is a partnership!
- I Peter 3:1-4
- Just as a woman submits to the leading of God in her life, so should a wife towards her husband.
- Ladies allow your husbands to lead the family.

Husbands love your wives!

(v.19)

- Men, you cannot demand respect, submission or love.
- Men, your wives are looking for genuine love, tenderness, affection, good communication and surprises in the relationship!
- Ephesians 5:25-31

Secrets Sherri & I have learned!

(Married for 40 years this Friday)

- The Lord has always been at the center of our marriage.
- Divorce has never been an option.
- We both have earned each others TRUST.
- We take time to date one another.
- We truly love & enjoy being together.
- We are willing to compromise and work through issues.

Children, be obedient to your parents!

(v.20)

- Exodus 20:12 - 5th Commandment
- Ephesians 6:1-3
- This the only commandment with a promise.
- Christians are here to please God, therefore He has commanded us to honor our parents.
- We live in a very rebellious day, but God has commanded His children to honor their parents.

Fathers, do not exasperate your children!

(v.21)

- Fathers, be careful that you don't use "No!" too often.
- Our children are created unique by the Lord, so we need to help them discover what God wants them to do in life.
- Ephesians 6:4
- Children get frustrated when parents don't parent together.

Employees, obey those over you!

- There may have been as many as 60 million slaves, which many were well educated.
- In many homes, it was the slaves who educated and disciplined the children.
- Paul challenges slaves to be obedient to their master as a ministry to the Lord.
- Ephesians 6:5-9
- As employees today we should do our jobs as unto the Lord.

Notice the Parenthesis!

(vs.17, 23-25)

- Whatever you do, do all unto the Lord!
- Therefore, in every relationship in life, it should be our goal to please God.
- It is by His power & authority that we live in our daily relationships.
- If Christ is first in our lives, then others will feel loved, heard, understood and treated with fairness.
- The blueprint for life is faith in Jesus Christ.