

## Keeping First Things First

### Week 15: Relational Principles in Practice

Sunday, August 27, 2023

"And 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. Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. <sup>19</sup> Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them. <sup>20</sup> Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged. <sup>22</sup> 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. <sup>23</sup> Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, <sup>24</sup> since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. <sup>25</sup> Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong, and there is no favoritism. <sup>1</sup> Masters, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven."

Colossians 3:17-4:1 (NIV)

\_\_\_\_\_ : a fundamental truth or proposition that serves as the foundation for a system of belief or behavior or for a chain of reasoning.

**Practice:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Virtue Set:** compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, Bear with each other, forgive, love.

1. \_\_\_\_\_.

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Colossians 3:18-21 (NIV)

**A. S \_\_\_\_\_ Relationships.**

\* **Submission** – \_\_\_\_\_.

\* **Love** – \_\_\_\_\_.

Eph 5:25 – "Christ loved the church and gave up His life for her."

**B. O \_\_\_\_\_.**

\* **Children - Obey:** \_\_\_\_\_.

\* **Fathers:** \_\_\_\_\_.

"Then he went on alone into the wilderness, traveling all day. He sat down under a solitary broom tree and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, LORD," he said. "Take my life..."

1 Kings 19:4 (NLT)

2. \_\_\_\_\_.

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Colossians 3:22, 4:1 (NIV)

**A. \_\_\_\_\_ Authority: Fulfill \_\_\_\_\_.**

**B. In \_\_\_\_\_ : Direct \_\_\_\_\_.**

3. \_\_\_\_\_ **Realities.**

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Colossians 3:23-25 (NIV)

**A. True R \_\_\_\_\_.**

"The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'"

Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

**B. \_\_\_\_\_ Reward.**

**C. Result of \_\_\_\_\_.**

"If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other."

Galatians 5:15 (NIV)

**Prayers for Practices:** \_\_\_\_\_

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