

Colossians 3-4 - Lesson 10 - Relationship With Others

Families	Slaves and Masters
<p>Wives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Subject to their husbands - hypotasso - arrange in order, line up under - military term - I Pe 3:1; Eph 5:22-24; Titus 2:5 - They submit as to the Lord - Women's place Biblically - highly valued, protection, cherished - Col 3:10-11; Gal 3:27-29; Gen 1:26-28; 2:18, 22-25; Eph 5:22-33; I Pe 3:1-12 <p>Husbands</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - love their wives - agapao (agape) - unconditional love not dependent on what they get in return - Don't be embittered against them <p>Children</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - be obedient to their parents - This is pleasing to the Lord <p>Fathers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - don't exasperate your children - Eph 6:1-4 - You don't want them to lose heart - Bring them up in the love and instruction of the Lord - Pr 6:20-23 - Pr 15:20 (Pr 23:22-25) - Dt 6:4-9 - Ps 78:1-4 	<p>Slaves</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - obey their masters with sincerity of heart (Col 3:22) - Fear the Lord - Work heartily for the Lord (Col 3:23-24) - Don't work as eye service and men pleasers - but as slaves of Christ according to the will of God (Eph 6:6) - Regard their masters as worthy of honor so the name of God will not be spoken against (I Tim 6:1) - If their master is a believer - serve them all the more (I Tim 6:2) - Not argumentative, not pilfering (stealing), show good faith to adorn the doctrine of God (Titus 2:9-14) - Submissive even to those who are unreasonable - #G4646 - skolios - crooked, perverse, wicked, unfair, warped <p>Masters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - grant justice to their slaves and fairness (Col 4:1) - Don't threaten the slaves (Eph 6:5-9) - There is no partiality with God - slave and free are the same in God's eyes

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Effective Prayer	Witness to the World
<p>Devote, keep alert, labor in prayer Labor = #G75 - agonomai</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - pray that God opens doors for the Word (Col 4:3) - Desire was for people to hear the truth of God's Word - they are being bombarded with the lies of the world <p>How do we have effective prayer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jn 9:31 - God doesn't hear sinners - Ps 66:17-20 - if wickedness in our heart - He doesn't hear - Pr 28:9 - we are following God's commands - Is 59:1-2 - your sin separates you from God - I Jn 3:21-22 - we need to be pleasing God - Jn 15:7 - abide in Him and Him in you - Jn 15:15 - busy about bearing fruit - I Jn 5:14-15 - asking according to His will - James 4:2-3 - asking with the right motives - Mk 11:23-26 - you need to forgive - your heart needs to be right before God - Live right before God (Ps 37:5; 139:23-24; Pr 3:5-6) - I Peter 5:6-7 - humbling yourself before Him - I Tim 2:1-4 - pray for those in authority 	<p>Walking with wisdom (Col 4:5) Make the most of every opportunity - to make wise and sacred use of every opportunity for doing good so that zeal and well doing are as it were the purchase money by which we make the time our own</p> <p>Grace - speaking what is spiritual, wholesome, fitting, kind, sensitive, purposeful, complementary, gentle, truthful, loving and thoughtful (Eph 4:29-32)</p> <p>Seasoned with salt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - salt flavors - adds taste, makes things palatable - Salt preserves - prevents corruption - the Christian's speech should not only act as a blessing to others but as a purifying influence within the decaying society of the world