

THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS

Jim Pitkin, Executive Director Colossians 3:18-21

MESSAGE NOTES

Thursday, June 13 Sunday, June 16

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The family unit is the most basic **and** essential structure created by God to exemplify the way in which all mankind should live in His peace and His harmony.

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Colossians 3:18-21 NASB

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The family unit is safe and secure when wives accept and lovingly undertake their roles.

¹⁹Husbands, love your wives, and do not be embittered against them. The family unit is safe and secure when husbands lead patiently, lovingly, and sacrificially. ²⁰Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord.

The family unit is safe and secure when there is structure, love, and obedience.

²¹Fathers, do not exasperate your children, that they may not lose heart.

The family unit is safe and secure when children see they are treated with the same love, respect, and gentleness their mother and father would want.

Three ideas to consider:

 Make family dinners together a priority. Ask questions. Pull out your Bibles. Model the importance of apology, 	notes				
forgiveness, peace, and restoration. 3. Praise your spouse in front of your children.					
Model unfailing love, respect, admiration, and adoration for your spouse.					
4. Bonus: Men, join us at the Huddle next season for strategies that will strengthen you					
and your families, including,					
·How do I share my faith? · What does a Godly man,					
husband, father look like? · Why should I have a quiet time					
with the Lord? Why should I pray?					
How can I glorify God at my job?Why should I be involved					
in the life of the church? • Why should I know and					
memorize scripture?					

GROUP DISCUSSION

Transcendent Colossians 3:18-21 Jim Pitkin, Executive Director June 13th and 16th, 2024 God's Design for the Family

Prayer Requests

Group Discussion: What are the characteristics of a family that fully follows Jesus?

Read Aloud Colossians 3:18-21

- 1. ¹⁸Wives, be subject to your husbands as is fitting in the Lord. The word subject denotes a ranking of priorities or assuming a role. Why do you think God designed the family this way? Why do you think wives might have a hard time following the leadership of their husbands?
- 2. ¹⁹Husbands, love your wives, and do not be embittered against them. See also Ephesians 5:25. How are men commanded to love their wives? Why is this so difficult for some men? What does it look like to lead sacrificially?
- 3. ²⁰Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord. See also Ephesians 6: 1-3. Do your children know why obedience is important? Have you been successful in communicating the importance of obedience?
- 4. ²¹Fathers, do not exasperate your children, that they may not lose heart. See also Ephesians 6:4. How do **you** model obedience? What are the memories your children have about how you as a husband/wife treat your spouse? What do you think of the statement, "more is caught than taught"?

What are at least two specific practices you can put into place to strengthen your family?