



TRANSFORMING TRUTH

*Trends deceive. Traditions enslave. God's Truth transforms.*

## **"Building Home-mentum"**

From the Series,  
"Building Momentum"

Colossians 3:18-21

*Preached Sunday 11/16/14*

*Meadow Baptist Church*

### 1. Recognizing God's Best for Us All (Colossians 3:18-21)

"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 provoke your children, lest they become discouraged."

- a. Wives - called to respect him
- b. Husbands - called to love her
- c. Children - called to full obedience
- d. Parents - called to cultivate & encourage

### 2. Understanding God's Best For the Wife (Ephesians 5:22-24)

"22 Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, His body, and is Himself its Savior. 24 Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands."

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### 3. Fulfilling God's Best as the Husband (Ephesians 5:25-33)

"25 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her, 26 that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, 27 so that He might present the church to Himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. 28 In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, 30 because we are members of His body. 31 Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. 32 This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. 33 However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband."

Wives' instruction: 3.5 verses. Husbands' instructions - 8.5 verses

We must understand that God's ways have not been conditioned by society, human intellect, or an earthly sense of fairness. He is supremely, infinitely more wise than us and we must embark upon this study keeping in mind that He alone sees the end from the beginning. We are limited in our understanding, He is the sum of all wisdom.

### 4. Accepting God's Best as Children (Ephesians 6:1-4)

"6 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 2 "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), 3 "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land." 4 Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord."

God only gives one command specifically for children in His word: obey your parents. We should expect children to fully obey.

Obey parents > Obey school authority > Obey government authority > Obey church authority > Obey God