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Colossians 2 teaches the doctrinal truth that we are made complete in Jesus Christ and don't need anything else to be complete (2:10-14). Colossians 3 teaches us the practical daily way to walk complete in Him. We should desire every day to lay our lives down as a living sacrifice, die to that old person God saved us from (*our old man*), and put on the character of Jesus Christ who is in us giving us strength to do it (Php. 4:13). Our family units and societal roles all _____ from our daily walk and success in these things.

FAMILY ROLES AND SOCIETAL ORDER (Part 1) – Colossians 3:18-20

1. The Key Role of Wives – v. 18

- A wife submits to her own husband as it is _____ in the Lord and unto the Lord – Eph. 5:22; Tit. 2:5.

To submit =

As the church submits to Christ (Eph. 5:23, 33) =

- A wife's submissive role is about God's design for family _____, not male domination – 2 Cor. 6:14; 1 Cor. 11:1-3, 14:40; Gen. 1:26-28; Eph. 5:33; Matt. 19:6.

Jesus Christ demonstrated this submission (Matt. 26:39; 1 Pet. 2:21-3:5; 1 Cor. 15:28) =

2. The Key Role of Husbands – v. 19

- A husband loves his wife and is not to be _____ towards her – Rom. 3:14; Eph. 4:31; Heb. 12:15.
- A husband loves and leads _____ Christ loves, leads, and cares for the church body – Eph. 5:23, 25.

Love her unconditionally and sacrificially (Heb. 13:5; Rom. 8:37-39) =

Love her as much as you love _____ (Eph. 5:28-29) =

3. The Key Role of Children – v. 20

- God is _____ when children respect, honor, and obey their parents in all things. This role is at the foundation of societal order and legacy – Eph. 6:1-3; Ex. 20:12, 21:15-17; Rom. 1:30; 2 Tim. 3:2.

There are obvious exceptions for _____ situations (1 Ki. 15:12-14) =

Children are to obey because they are to be _____ (Pr. 22:6; Ps. 127:3; Lk. 2:51-52) =

- Marriage brings an official _____ to a child's obedience to their parents – Gen. 2:24.