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Colossians 3 begins with a discussion about how we as Christians are different. Earth is no longer our real home; Heaven is our home. We are to seek things which are true, lasting, and above through Christ (v.1-4). We can have victory day by day over the common things we all struggle with through Christ (v. 5-14) gaining God's peace, confidence with His words, and faithfully embracing our roles as husbands, wives, children, and fathers (v. 15-21). Our final topic is about societal order, how we are to _____ in this world (Neh. 4:6).

FAMILY ROLES/SOCIETAL ORDER (Part 3) – SERVANTS & MASTERS – Colossians 3:22-4:1

1. Christian Service is for our Master, Jesus Christ – v. 22-23, 24b; Matt. 23:8-10

- Christians are born again to serve Christ and our work in this world is _____ through Jesus Christ – Rom. 6:18, 7:6; 1 Cor. 6:20, 7:22-23, 9:19; Eph. 4:1; Gal. 5:13.

Not with eyeservice, as _____ (v. 22a; Tit. 2:9-10; Pr. 22:29) =

Singleness of heart, heartily (v. 22b-23a; Rom. 12:11; Ecc. 9:10) =

Fearing God (v. 22c; Dan. 1:5-8, 20; Gen. 39:9) =

- All the _____ in the Bible are the servants of God – Matt. 23:11; Mk. 10:44-45; Job 1:8; Ps.105:26, 132:10; Dan. 3:17, 26; Rom. 1:1; Tit. 1:1; Jude 1:1; 2 Pet. 1:1; Rev. 10:7.
- Christian service brings _____ and benefits to the believer and master – Matt. 11:28-30; Jn. 12:26, 13:15-17, 15:15; Ps. 34:22, 100:2; Is. 54:17.
- Be careful in your _____ or worship of fellow servants in Christ's body, but rather see their value in Christ – 1 Cor. 12:4-27; Rom. 14:2-6; Pr. 30:10; Rev. 19:10, 22:9.

2. The Regret of Not Serving God – v. 24a, 25

- We labor with and for Him and will give _____ for our labor – 2 Cor. 5:9-11; 6:1, 14; 1 Pet. 1:17.
- We will serve the Lord Jesus Christ for all _____ – Php. 2:10-11; Rev. 7:15, 22:3.
- Those not serving God are serving other things – Ps. 97:7; Jn. 8:34; Rom. 1:25, 16:18.

3. Good Masters are Good Servants – 4:1; Eph. 6:5-9; Mk. 10:44

- Christ's servants are to _____ themselves to their earthly masters, whether good or bad, Christian or non-Christian – 1 Tim. 6:1-2; 1 Pet. 2:18.