

FAITH, RELATIONSHIPS, AND HOSPITALITY

Colossians 4:2-18 // Dr. Ron Jones

As much as Paul can take us to the highest place of understanding about God, he never loses sight of the practical places that real faith lives in everyday life. As he closes his letter to the Colossians, Paul encourages us to ...

1. Remain spiritually alert in prayer.

Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. ¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them. COLOSSIANS 3:18-19 ESV

The starting point in any discussion about marriage is _____ and _____ not the _____.

“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. EPHESIANS 5:31-33 ESV

- Your marriage is a _____.
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- Your marriage is not primarily about your _____.

2. Live wisely in word and deed.

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. ²¹ Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged. COLOSSIANS 3:20-21
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The first place children learn to respect _____ is in the _____.

3. Engage relationally with people faithful to the gospel.

Bondservants, obey in everything those who are your earthly masters, not by way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord. ²³ Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, ²⁴ knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ. ²⁵ For the wrongdoer will be paid back for the wrong he has done, and there is no partiality. Masters, treat your bondservants justly and fairly, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven. COLOSSIANS 3:22-4:1
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