

# Storing Up – Colossians 3:18-4:1



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**18 Wives, submit yourselves 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 embitter your children,  
or they will become discouraged.**

## Colossians 3:18-4:1

<sup>22</sup> Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to curry their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord. <sup>23</sup> Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, <sup>24</sup> since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

## Colossians 3:18-4:1

<sup>25</sup> Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for their wrongs, and there is no favoritism.

<sup>1</sup> Masters, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven.



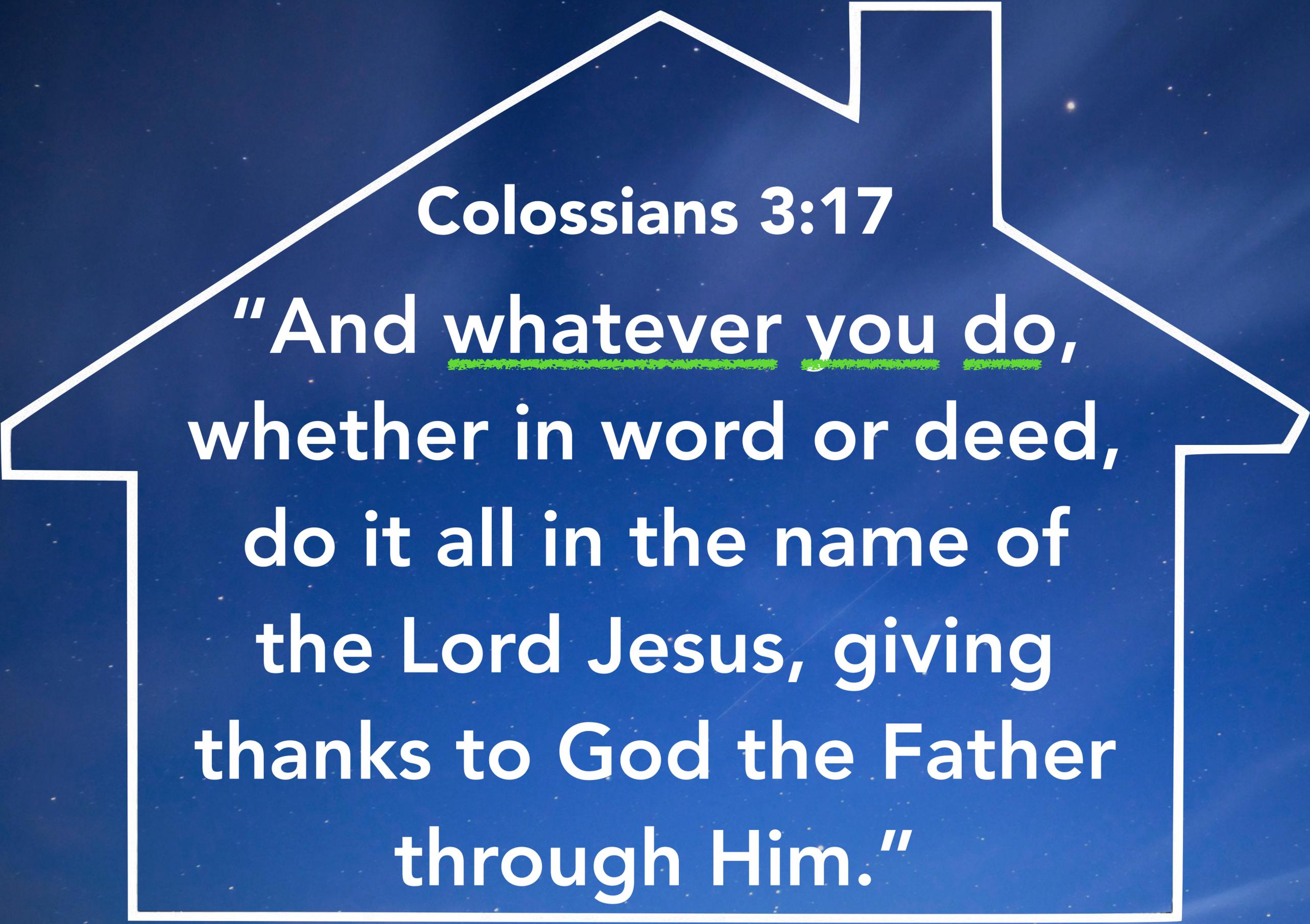
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Obeys

Slaves

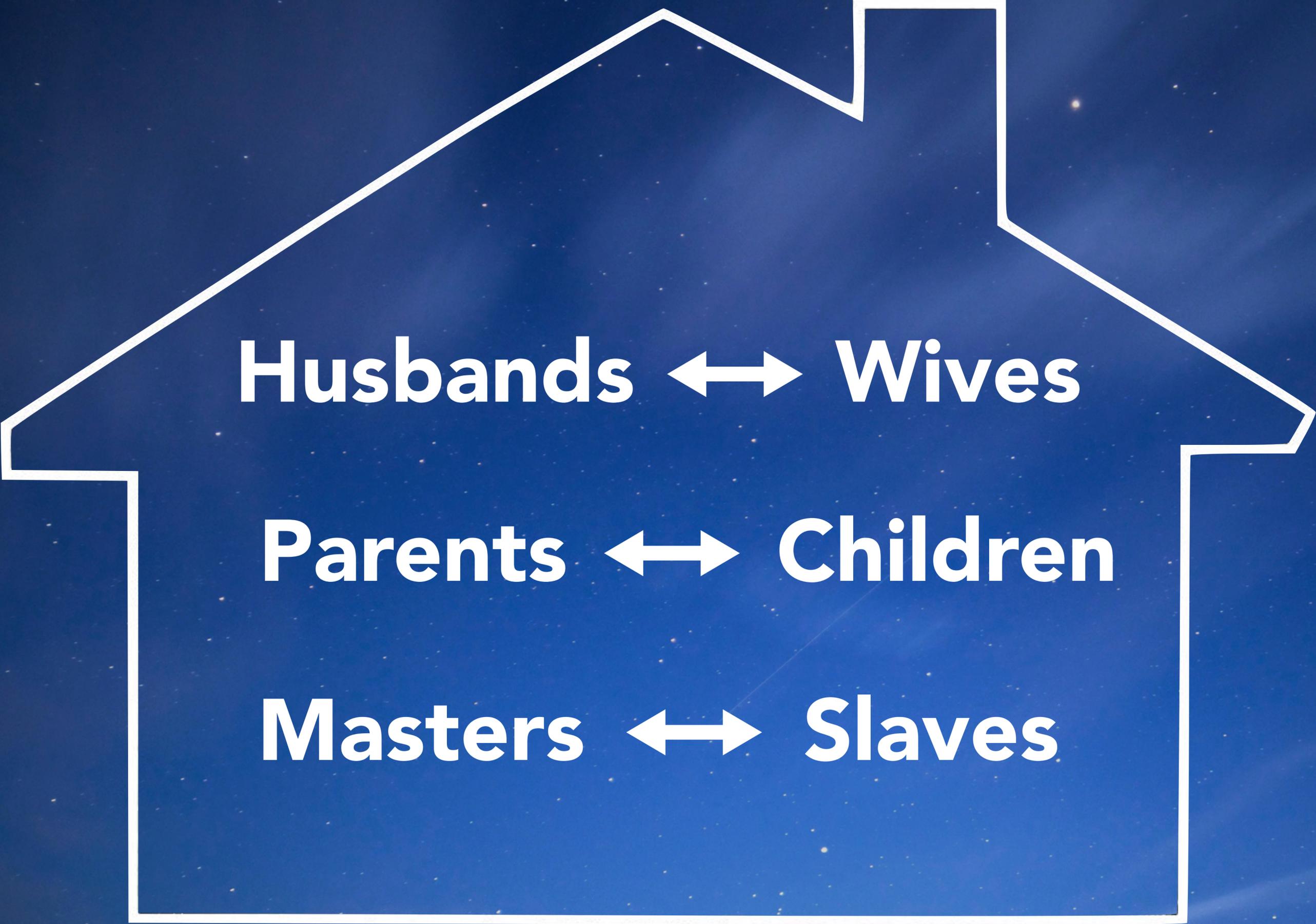
Masters

Reverence



**Colossians 3:17**

**"And whatever you do,  
whether in word or deed,  
do it all in the name of  
the Lord Jesus, giving  
thanks to God the Father  
through Him."**



**Husbands ↔ Wives**

**Parents ↔ Children**

**Masters ↔ Slaves**

# Equality

Colossians 3:10-11

*"You have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all."*

# Submission

Colossians 3:12-13

*"Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you."*

Every context of  
our lives is a  
God-orchestrated  
laboratory for  
spiritual formation.

If you're not getting  
along with your  
parents, you're  
probably not getting  
along with God.

What if God designed  
marriage to make us  
holy more than to  
make us happy.

Gary Thomas; Sacred Marriage

Life is short. Eternity is long.



*God is using every circumstance in your life to grow you as His child.*

*Always think "Upper Story"!*

## Colossians 3:23-24

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

- You're not a doormat
- You're not in charge
- Your choices matter
- Your eternity is long
- You're chosen, holy & loved

