

Series: Colossians

Title: Family Matters, Part 2

Text: Colossians 3:18-21

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“Most people receive more instruction for driving a car than for becoming a parent...No wonder even the most loving parents flounder and fail from time to time.” **Sandra Wilson**

*In Colossians 3:18-21, we find **three truths** related to the family...*

1. Wives should respect the spiritual leadership of their husbands (v. 18).

2. Husbands are to love their wives (v. 19).

“The word love can be quite elusive and confusing. Some languages use different words to express different kinds or depths of love. In English, the word love can be used in multiple and varied ways, from superficial infatuation or lust to mere affection to enthusiasm or devotion. We also use the word love in abiding and self-sacrificial ways, as in ‘I love my spouse’...Love of this kind, when genuine, is a willful decision that will be demonstrated by conscious acts.” **Mark Keleman**

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3. Parents are to raise their children to obey the Lord (v. 20).

“In a couple of crisp sentences Paul has said, in essence, what thousands of books on the upbringing of children have struggled to express.” **A.T. Robertson**

Ephesians 6:2-3