Colossians



3:18 - 4:1

Creation to New Creation

- created to be in God's holy presence
- in relationship with God
- in God's image
- knowledge = bad
- Eve...Adam...Cain

- Jesus removes the penalty of sin
- our relationship with God is restored
- in God's image
- knowledge = good
- wife...husband...kids



Wives

- Genesis 3:16, "he shall rule over you"
 - not dominance, but governance / jurisdiction
 - thus, husband has responsibility for wife



Husbands / Fathers

- 3:19, "love your wives"
 - love seeks ways for the other to flourish & thrive
 - blove minimizes or eliminates danger or harm



Husbands / Fathers

 3:19, "do not be harsh / exasperate your children"

do not expect from your children what makes you look good

do not require them to live in a way you don't



Children

When your children start to realize how much they are like you, what will they be like?

Are you working / praying for future generations?



Children

Become the uncommon family.



Work

 5 of 7 references to "the Lord" are applied to work relationships

Integrity is what you do when only the Lord can see you.



My relationships with others are the evidence of the truth of what I say when I share the gospel.

