

Colossians

“Let the Peace of
Christ Rule”

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"Let the peace of Christ rule your hearts...let the word of Christ richly dwell within you...whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus"

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“Christian thinking has not become really Christian until it operates in our daily practice with those nearest to us”

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I. The Submission of the Wife 3:18

Colossians 3:18 (NIV) ¹⁸ Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

Order

Stability

Christlikeness

Peace

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II. The Devotion of the Husband 3:19

Colossians 3:19 (NIV) ¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.

Devoted to Christlike Love

Devoted to Christlike Marriage

"Just as Christ works to present His church to Himself as a glorious bride in a glorious marriage, should not the husband work to make his wife glorious and their marriage glorious?"

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III. The Obligation of the Children 3:20

Colossians 3:20 (NIV) ²⁰ Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

Obligated to listen and obey

Obligated to please God

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IV. The Direction of the Father 3:21

Colossians 3:21 (NIV) ²¹ Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.

Don't break their Spirit

"The twig is to be bent with caution, not broken in the efforts of a rude and hasty zeal"

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1. by overprotection
2. by showing favoritism
3. by depreciating their worth
4. by setting unrealistic goals
5. by failing to show affection
6. by not providing for their needs
7. by a lack of standards
8. by criticism
9. by neglect
10. by excessive discipline

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Shape their Will

“shape the will without breaking the spirit.”

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