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House-Rules Colossians 3:18- 4:1

Family life will work if God's rules are followed

1. **Rule of responsibility**

- A. Know your role
- B. Accept your role

2. **Rule of influence**

- A. Only you can control you
- B. As you control you, you can influence others

3. **Rule of Lordship**

- A. He is Lord
- B. Honor Him as Lord

Conclusion: Are you willing to be under His Lordship?



Finding Your Biblical Role in the Home

Role of the Wife:

The word “submit” is a military term meaning to “arrange oneself under another” and indicates a voluntary submission, not an unthinking obedience. Submission does not denigrate the one who submits.

Role of the Husband:

The husband is commanded to love his wife (Eph. 5:25 says as Christ loved the church). In his headship, he is to seek her highest good, not his own welfare. He is to honor her and be considerate of her, and not to be bitter or harsh.

Role of the Children:

Children are to obey the instructions and rules of the parents. The Greek word for “obey” implies a readiness to listen to and carry out parental instructions.

Role of the Father:

A father should be careful not to frustrate his children or discourage them. Regulations should be reasonable, not arbitrary.

Role of the Servant:

The admonition is to work hard as though one was working for God, and not people- this applies to employees and those under authority.

Role of the Master:

Employers also have a duty not to take advantage of employees. Instead they should offer a just wage, proper benefits, and adequate rest.