



Engage Bible Study Guide

Session 28 | Colossians 3:18-4:6 | April 12, 2021

OPEN

- What are some of the passages about families that you have struggled with in your story?
- How comfortable are you sharing your faith with unbelievers or other believers?

DIG

- What do you think it means for couples to submit to one another as Christ did?
- Read vv 24-25 – What does it mean to you to say that the “master you serve is Christ”? How would that mindset affect the way you engage with work or chores?
- Read 4:1. How do you think this concept of fairness in this ancient context translates to our modern work relationships? What does it mean to be fair with an employee?
- We live in an era where the concept of absolute freedom exists in social relationships. In what ways is this helpful and in what ways is it harmful?
- Often times we look down on “conservative family values,” but are there benefits to these types of social relationships?
- If harsh first century social relationships and absolute social freedom are ends of a spectrum, what do you think a ‘Christian’ perspective looks like today?
- Are there Biblical texts that are applied as a normative principle that you have struggled with in your faith? How do you decide what to take as a rule and what to use to inform your wisdom?
- As you share the Bible with others, how do you talk about some of these difficult texts?

APPLY

- Pray – In what ways are you setting your intention on the things God is focused on in your prayer life?
- Be Thankful – What are you thankful for today?
- Embrace Mystery – What are the paradoxes in your life and faith that you hold onto?
- Share Your Story – What is the brokenness in your story that you can use to connect with others? In what ways have you been mended? How are you continuing to live faithfully?
- Behave with Grace – How do you need to show yourself grace? What grace do other people in your circle need?