



Colossians

Week 6: Christ in our Relationships | Teacher: Libin Abraham

Sermon Questions for 9.21.2025

Opener

What relationship have you had where you would say it was impactful, transformative, or helpful for you to see things differently?

Read

Colossians 3:18-4:6; Colossians 3:11-14; Ephesians 5:25, 28-30; Colossians 4:9

Main Points

1. Paul wrote Colossians to a church that was diverse, gifted, and tempted to size people up by the categories of the day. Paul recenters our stories and differences, refusing to let ethnicity, politics, or class by the truest thing about anyone in God's family. May we lay aside every label we use to measure each other and hold fast to what unites us - Christ is all and in all!
2. Biblical submission is voluntary yielding in love and is a Spirit-filled quality for all believers. It is the way of Jesus.
3. The scriptures reconfigure and redefine leadership as one of service and sacrifice - it embodies the self-giving of Jesus himself.
4. In an unjust or *less-than-good* conditions, Paul gives three motivations: (a) God sees and God rewards, (b) serve the Lord Christ, (c) God pays back the wrongdoer.
5. The radical brotherhood and equality explicit in the gospel would be a death knell to slavery.

Engage with God in a Group

- What is your biggest takeaway from our study in Colossians for our current culture today?
- How might your relationships be different if you started with Jesus instead of the other person or yourself?
- Is there a current relationship in your life that has not been impacted by your union with Jesus?

Bottom Line

To have the kind of community where Christ is all and in all, we must put on not just the armor of Ephesians 6, but the virtues of Colossians 3.

Daily Activity as We Study Colossians Together

Throughout this study, we encourage you to physically write out 2-3 verses a day.