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The Christian Home: Wives

Colossians 3:18 | Adam Bowers | 12/06/20

1. Marriage is often misunderstood by the world and even many Christians. How did God design marriage to look and what are some of His guidelines?
2. Why do you think God provided guidelines and roles for husbands and wives?
3. We've described Colossians as a "rumble strip" letter full of cautions to help believers avoid bigger problems. What potential problems might Colossians 3:18 help married couples avoid?
4. Why is it significant that Paul directly addresses wives in Colossians 3:18?
5. David Garland describes the Greek word we translate as "submit" as meaning, "a modest, cooperative demeanor that puts others first." How is this understanding of submitting different than what is sometimes taught or practiced about this verse?
6. Adam compared the roles of wives and husbands to the parts of a body that must work together and through different functions to help the body function well and stay healthy. Are there other ways a healthy family functions like a body?
7. When is it unhealthy for a wife to "submit" to her husband?
8. What should a wife or husband do if they are having difficulty applying this passage to their unique situation?