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Scriptural References and Comment Notes

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Ephesians 6:5-9

CHRISTIAN LIVING IN THE WORKPLACE

2:00 This is a message to Christians, beyond those of the world – those within whom the Holy Spirit resides ready to give counsel.

4:40 Ephesians 5:21 - A recap of the idea that mutual submission is to be the way of Christians. In family and in the workplace.

6:00 Luke 22:24-26 - Jesus tells his disciples that they are servants and not to act as the world, trying to lord it over those within their sphere.

10:00 Ephesians 6:5 - A word to the “Slaves and Masters”. Employees and Employers. In those times 80% of the people were slaves – the working class. Slaves – **1.** No rights, **2.** Not paid, **3.** Belonged to their owners. A little worse off than most employees of today.

13:00 What about obedience, when what you are asked to do is in opposition to the law or to God’s will ?

19:00 Unfortunately, it appears that honesty and truthfulness is no more apparent among Christians than the world in general.

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22:00 There is a problem when people are governed by feelings rather than commitment to the will of the Lord.

27:00 Ephesians 6:7 Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men.

28:00 Ephesians 6:9 A guide for employers and bosses.

28:45 Colossians 3:22-4:1 A parallel teaching to the Ephesians passage. Be the best that you can be, in service to others.

Eph. 6:5 Slaves, obey your earthly masters with respect and fear, and with sincerity of heart, just as you would obey Christ. 6 Obey them not only to win their favor when their eye is on you, but like slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from your heart. 7 Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men, 8 because you know that the Lord will reward everyone for whatever good he does, whether he is slave or free.

Eph. 6:9 And masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Do not threaten them, since you know that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no favoritism with him.

Eph. 5:21 Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Luke 22:24 Also a dispute arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. 25 Jesus said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. 26 But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves.

Col. 3:22 Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to win their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord. 23 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, 24 since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. 25 Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong, and there is no favoritism.

Col. 4:1 Masters, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven.