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UNTO THE LORD

Colossians 3:18-25

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Culture, & Church*



A city like where we live in Sacramento with commerce, culture & church. With the nearby city of Laodicean &

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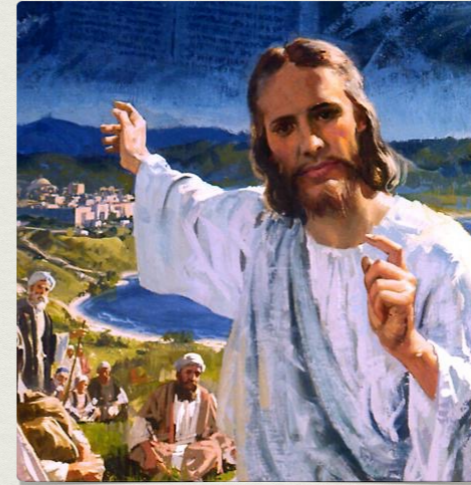
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KEY PASSAGES

- Colossians 1:15-17
- Colossians 2:1-3
- Colossians 3:2-3



“He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.” (Colossians 1:15–17 NAS95)

“For I want you to know how great a struggle I have on your behalf and for those who are at Laodicea, and for all those who have not personally seen my face, that their hearts may be encouraged, having been knit together in love, and attaining to all the wealth that comes from the full assurance of understanding, resulting in a true knowledge of God’s mystery, that is, Christ Himself, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.” (Colossians 2:1–3 NAS95)

“Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God.” (Colossians 3:2–3 NAS95)

COLOSSIANS 3:17-21

Family Relationships

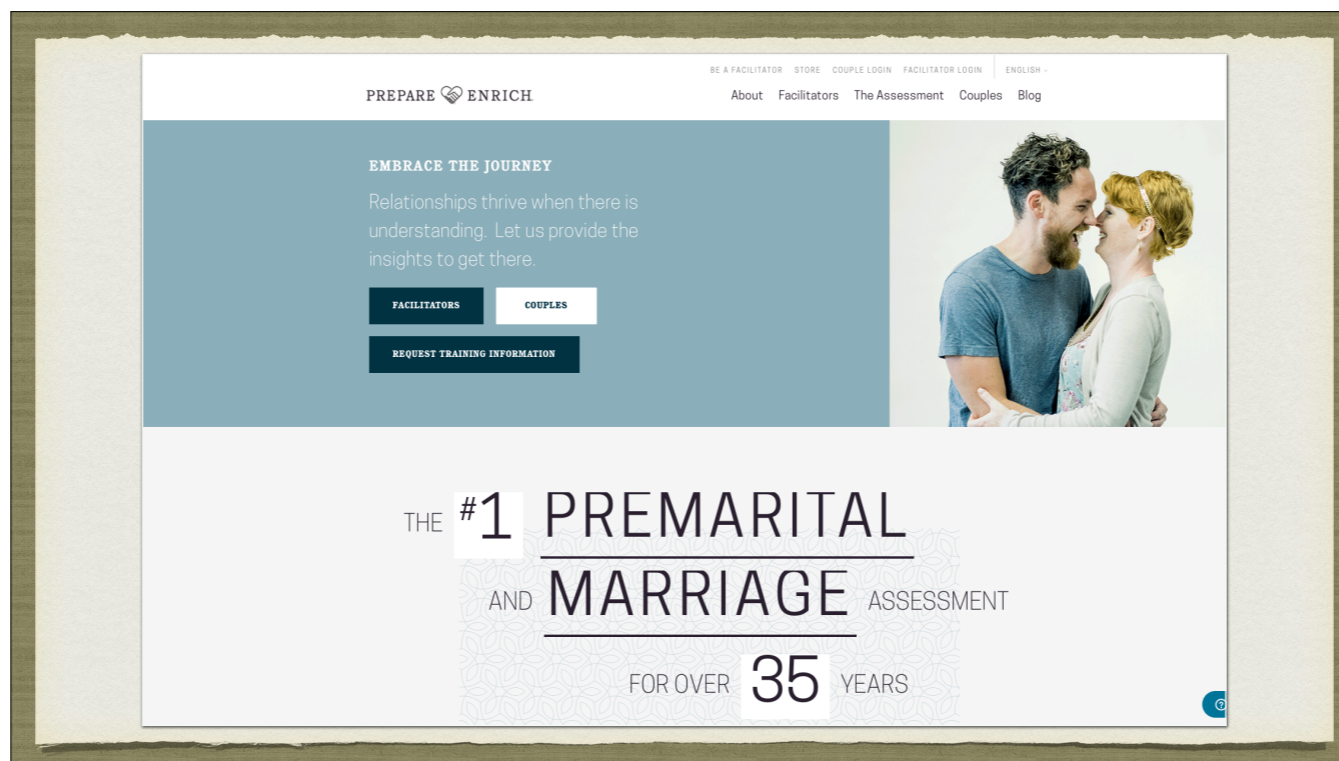


“Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.

Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and do not be embittered against them. Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they will not lose heart.” (Colossians 3:17–21 NAS95)

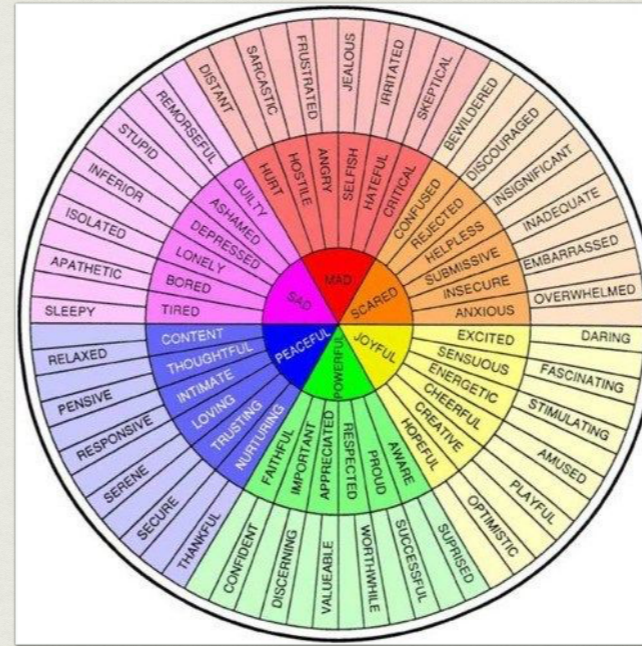
- “What blessings would come to our homes if each member of the family said, “I will live each day to please Christ and make Him preeminent in all things.” There would be less selfishness and more love; less impatience and more tenderness; less wasting of money on foolish things and more living for the things that matter most.” - Warren Wiersbe

When the relationship is strong in Christ, it becomes a positive relationship based on the strength and power of God, rather than our own attempts to relate to one another.



For ten years, I've had the privilege of working with couples who are both preparing to be married or are married and wish for marriage enrichment. It's also been a blessing in my own marriage as we examine growth areas and with God's help journey together in commitment and communication. - "Researchers and professionals across multiple disciplines regard P/E as one of the most effective tools in their professional toolbox." I'd like to offer it to you as a gift to open up opportunities for family enrichment.


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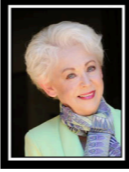
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—Arlene R. Taylor, PhD

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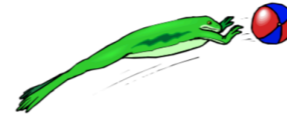
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Listening Differences

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Female Brains

Use both sides of the brain when listening to human voices

Pick up nuances in voice tonality and sounds (e.g., baby crying, moaning)

Male Brains

Use primarily one brain hemisphere when listening

May miss nuances (e.g., warning tone in a female voice)

According to Dr Taylor, our Creator has formed us differently and we look listen & feel differently as a result based on our composition.



Female Strategies

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To increase the likelihood of being listened to by a male brain:



- **Lower voice pitch and speak louder**
- **Lower inflections at the end of sentences**
- **Keep voice tones even (monotone)**
- **Start with the bottom line**

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Your husband or wife is not your Messiah, but if we love them with the Agape love that Christ loves us with, we will be able to humble ourselves before one another and fulfill God's will -

““In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.” (Matthew 7:12 NAS95)

- “Let each give love rather than exact it. Cultivate that which is noblest in yourselves, and be quick to recognize the good qualities in each other. The consciousness of being appreciated is a wonderful stimulus and satisfaction. Sympathy and respect encourage the striving after excellence, and love itself increases as it stimulates to nobler aims.”

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“Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord.” (Colossians 3:20 NAS95)

THE GIFT OF CHILDREN

- “Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they will not lose heart.” (Colossians 3:21)



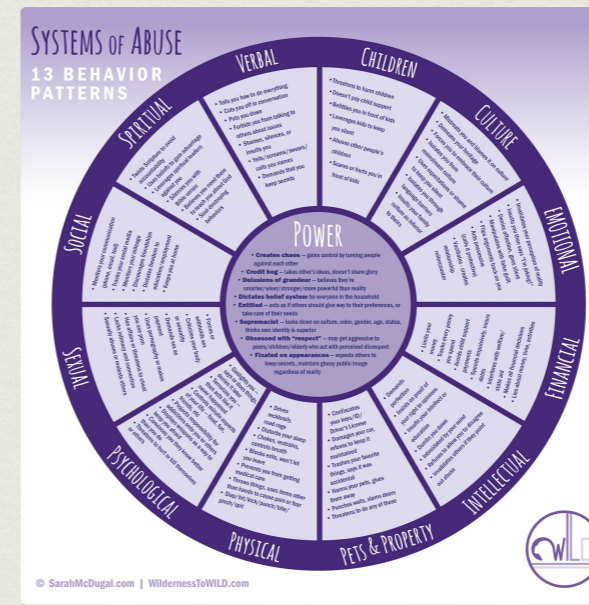
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“Exasperate” - gr. - “*eretho*” which is also translated as “provoke” “stir up” -

SYSTEMS OF ABUSE

13 Behavior Patterns

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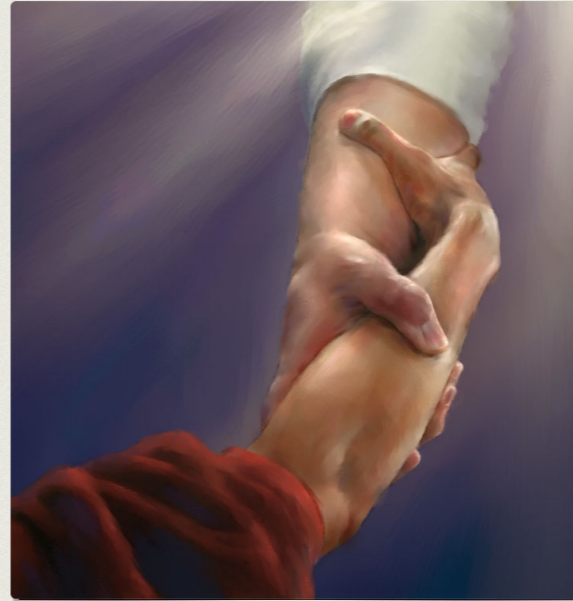
This "Systems of Abuse" infographic is available at the listed websites by a colleague of mine and at the heart of abuse is power; children are a gift from the Lord and when we are angry with them without control, we can hinder their spiritual trust.

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COLOSSIANS 3:22

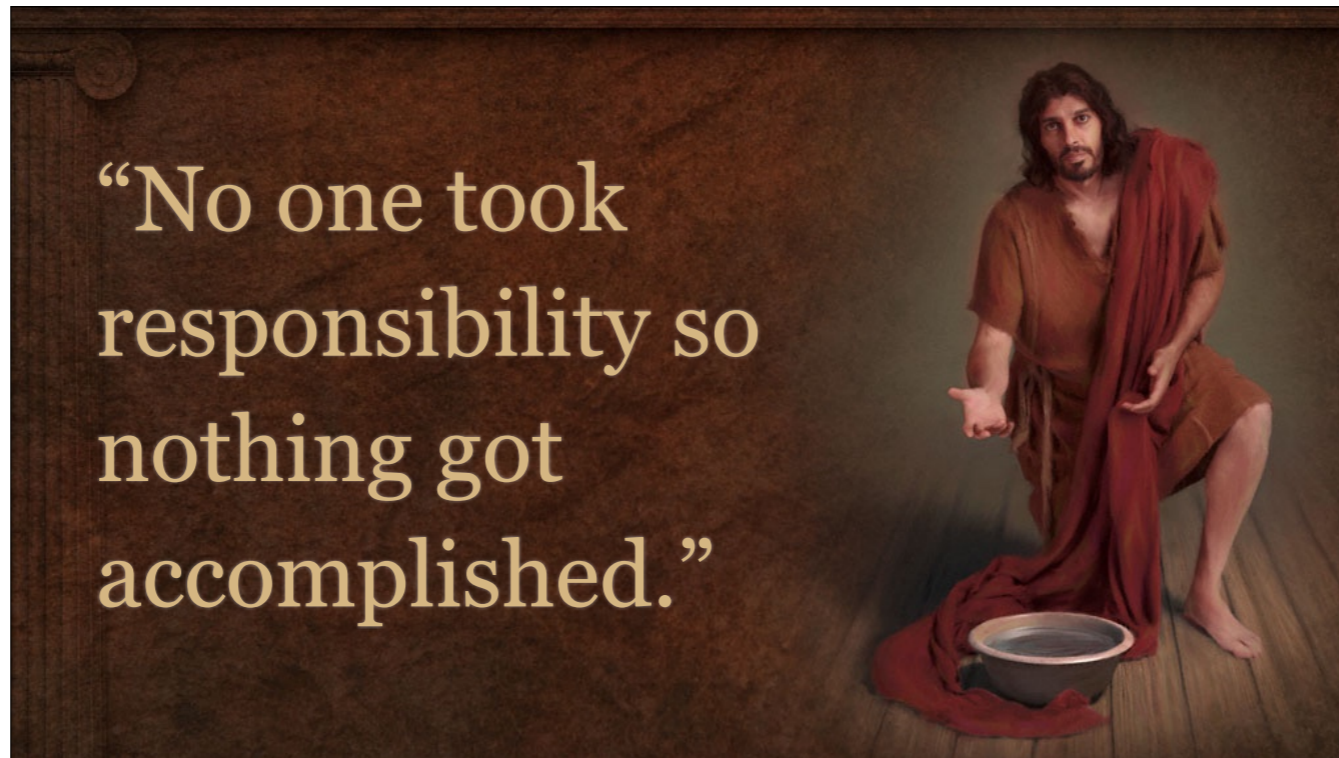
Regarding Slavery



“Slaves (*doulos*), in all things obey those who are your masters on earth, not with external service, as those who merely please men, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord.” (Colossians 3:22 NAS95)

- “Slaves were attached to households in Paul’s day, but we can apply these same truths to Christian employers and employees today. Paul reminds servants that they have masters according to the flesh as well as a heavenly Master, Christ. The Christian employee is to work to honor and please Christ. “Eyeservice” (v. 22) means working when the employer is watching. But the heavenly Master is always watching! We are not to be men-pleasers, but Christ-pleasers.” - Warren Wiersbe

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Here's the story, titled "Whose Job Is It, Anyway?"

This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have.

The story may be confusing but the message is clear: no one took responsibility so nothing got accomplished.

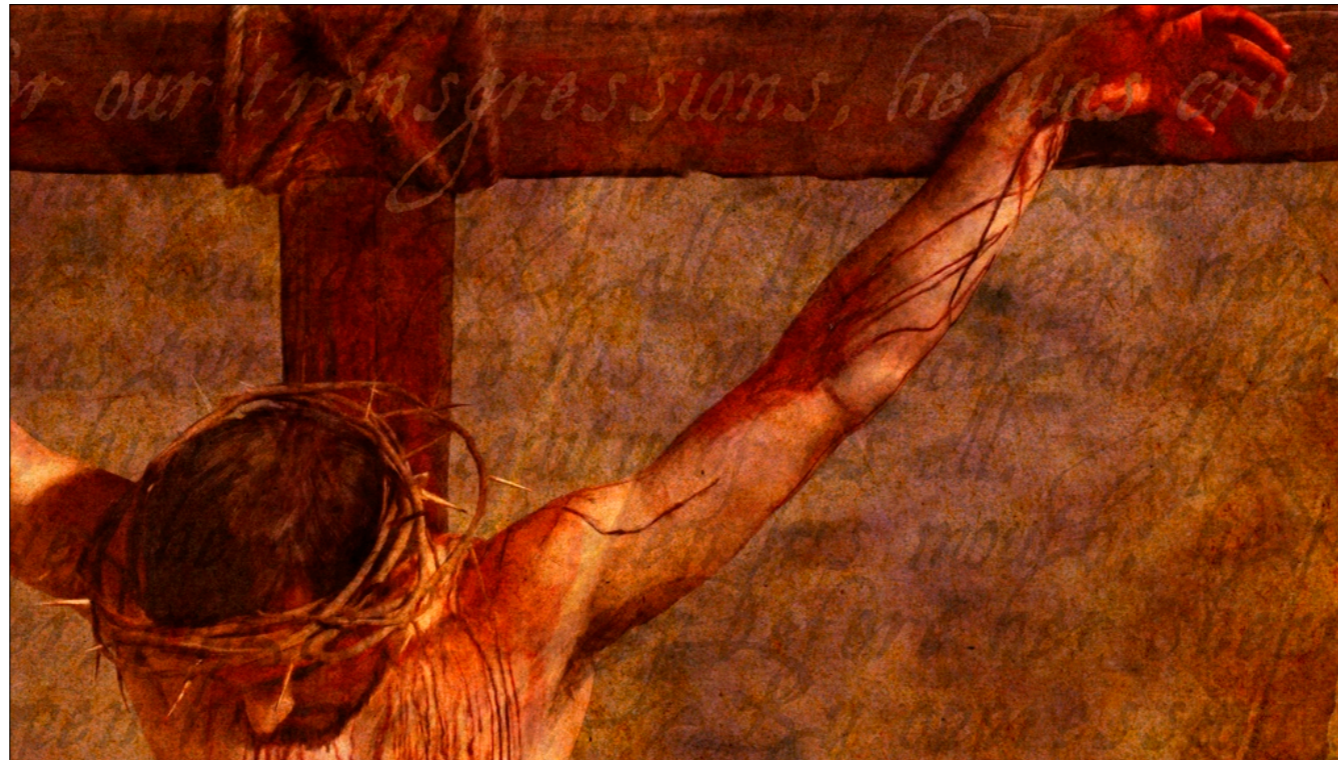
It's a story that plays out often in organizations and companies and on teams—anywhere there is culture that lacks accountability.



“The motive for service should not be merely to satisfy a human standard, to work while the overseer is looking on and to give the minimum in effort. Such servants may look upon themselves as merely pleasing their human masters, but this is unworthy as a motive for Christians.” - SDABC



“Whatever you are doing, work at it with enthusiasm, as to the Lord and not for people, because you know that you will receive your inheritance from the Lord as the reward. Serve the Lord Christ. For the one who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong, and there are no exceptions.” (Colossians 3:23–25 NET)



“You should have the same attitude toward one another that Christ Jesus had, who though he existed in the form of God did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself by taking on the form of a slave (*doulos*), by looking like other men, and by sharing in human nature. He humbled himself, by becoming obedient to the point of death –even death on a cross!” (Philippians 2:5–8 NET)

THE ATTITUDE OF CHRIST

- “Therefore, if you have been raised with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Keep thinking about things above, not things on the earth, for you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God.” (Colossians 3:1–3 NET)

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“He is the
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Guest!”

Appeal Poem - “The Christian Home”
How God must love a friendly home
Which has a warming smile,
To welcome everyone who comes
To bide a little while!

How God must love a happy home
Where song and laughter show,
Hearts full of joyous certainty
That life means ways to grow!

How God must love a loyal home
Serenely sound and sure!
When troubles come to those within,
They still can feel secure.

How God must love a Christian home
Where faith and love attest
That every moment, every hour,
He is the honored Guest!

—The Pentecostal Messenger

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