IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS

At Home and at Work

Colossians 3:17– 4:1 | **PARTICIPANT GUIDE** *(November 15th, 2026)*

Key Idea: Following Jesus transforms how we love and encourage others at home, how we raise children, and how we carry out our responsibilities at work.

Key Scripture: Colossians 3:23 (NIV)

Icebreaker
Who has made a difference in your life through encouragement, sacrificial care, or a strong example? Why?

Read Together Colossians 3:17–4:1 Notice how Paul connects home and work to serving Jesus.

WIVES — BE YOUR HUSBAND'S GREATEST CHEERLEADER! *(Col. 3:18, Ephesians 5:33)*

- Why does God tell wives to submit to and/or respect their husbands?
- Have you seen any wives do this well? If so, how did it affect the marriage?

HUSBANDS — GO ALL OUT FOR YOUR WIVES! *(Col. 3:19, Ephesians 5:25–28)*

- Why is it so difficult for so many husbands to go all out for their wives?
- What might intentional, self-giving love look like in a marriage?

DADS — RAISE YOUR KIDS LIKE JESUS WOULD! *(Col. 3:20–21, Ephesians 6:4, Psalm 103:13)*

- Why does God direct this statement to Fathers and not Mothers?
- Did your father raise you well? If so, how? And If not, what would you do different?
- Respond to this statement: "kids spell love T-I-M-E"

WHATEVER YOU DO — WORK LIKE YOU'RE WORKING FOR JESUS! *(Col. 3:22–24, 4:1, and 1 Corinthians 10:31)*

- Do you currently (or previously) have a boss that was difficult to work with? Explain.
- How would your attitude, integrity, or treatment of others change if you approached your responsibilities as service to Jesus?

PERSONAL APPLICATION
Whether married or single, a parent or not, working or retired: where is Jesus inviting you to reflect His love, character, or integrity more clearly this week? Name one step you will take?

PRAYER
Ask Jesus to shape our words, relationships, homes, and work. Pray for grace to encourage others, love sacrificially, guide with compassion, and serve with integrity.

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK
Read Colossians 4:2–18. Notice Paul's instructions about prayer, wise conduct, and relationships with others.