

“The Supremacy of Christ in the Family”

Colossians 3:20-21

May 26, 2019

The Central Idea...

The supremacy of Christ is exhibited in the family through a child's obedience and a parent's biblical encouragement.

1. Children and obedience

- “Obey” literally means to **listen** under.

- A child's obedience is a matter of one's **heart** before God.

2. Parents and biblical encouragement

- We must parent our children with four biblical truths about them in mind:
 - Creation: they are a **blessing/gift** from God.
 - Fall: they are **sinners**.
 - Redemption: they need a **Savior**.
 - Restoration: they have an **eternity** ahead of them.

Responding to family/relationship difficulties.

- Realize your own **sin**.
- Rejoice in your **salvation**.
- Repent of your **sin**.
- Replace **sinful** attitudes and actions with righteous ones.
- Recognize your **identity** in Christ.

Notes

Community Group Discussion
For the Week of May 26, 2019

1. As you reflect on Sunday's sermon, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?
2. What are some practical tips for parents to bring up their children "in the discipline and instruction of the Lord"?
3. In your own family context, how do you struggle with recognizing and being compelled by the Lordship of Christ?
4. Review the "Responding to family/relationship difficulties" points from the sermon. Discuss what it would look like to apply this in an actual situation.
5. Our most important identity is ultimately to be found in Christ. In what ways do you struggle with your identity being found in another role you have in life?