KNOWING GOD'S PRINCIPLES FOR THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY COLOSSIANS 3:18-21 "Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and do not be bitter toward them. Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

... Colossians 3:18-21

# (1) Wives (verse 18)

"Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord."

... Col 3:18



... Galatians 3:28

### (2) Husbands (verse 19)

"Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh toward them.

... Colossians 3:19

"The Christian is supposed to love his neighbour, and since his wife is his nearest neighbour, she should be his deepest love."

... Martin Luther



"Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh toward them."

#### ... Colossians 3:19

"These [2 calls] cannot be read in isolation; they go together. It is unthinkably absurd for a Christian husband to demand submission of his wife if he is not radically loving her; likewise, it is errant logic for a wife who is not submissive to demand such love."

## (3) Children (verse 20)

"Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is well pleasing to the Lord.

... Colossians 3:20.

## (4) Parents (verse 21)

"Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged."

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