

Family is not the only relationship you will have in life! Paul moves from emphasizing the supremacy of Jesus in your family relationships, to expecting believers' daily work to display Jesus as Lord! Warren Wiersbe said it well...

Too many Christians rejoice at the great doctrines of chapters 1–2 but ignore the duties of chapters 3–4. The believer who lives a shallow, disobedient life does not really believe in the all-sufficiency of Christ. Once the Christian depends on the Head—his risen, glorified Savior—for nutrition, guidance, and wisdom, he will discover mature Christian living in its fullness. [1]

In the final verses of Colossians 3, Paul makes it clear, Christians live out their faith even in hard relationships, like that of an employee and an employer. **When you truly believe Jesus is supreme and sufficient in everything, you can have a healthy perspective on all of life and live faithfully.**

## CHRISTIANS SHOULD LIVE WITH A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE ON:

- Authority
  - Submission
- “Unless Jesus is Lord of all, He is not Lord at all.” *S.M. Zwemer*

## EMPLOYEES ARE TO DISPLAY THE SUPREMACY OF JESUS IN THEIR WORK

- How we work – “obey”
- The motive for our work – “fearing the Lord” and “for the Lord”

## EMPLOYERS ARE TO DISPLAY THE SUPREMACY OF JESUS IN THEIR WORK

- How we work – with justice and fairness
- The motive for our work – “a master in heaven”

## Take away:

Romans 14:8–9 (NASB95)

For if we live, we live for the Lord, or if we die, we die for the Lord; therefore whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that He might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

**Series key thought:** When you trust Jesus is supreme and sufficient in everything, it changes your perspective!

[1] *Wiersbe, W. W. (1992). Wiersbe's expository outlines on the New Testament (584). Wheaton, IL: Victor Books.*