

# PERSPECTIVE

## ADULTS & STUDENTS DISCUSSION GUIDE MESSAGE: JULY 26, 2020

**WORK: WHEN YOU TRULY BELIEVE JESUS IS SUPREME AND SUFFICIENT IN EVERYTHING, YOU CAN HAVE A HEALTHY PERSPECTIVE ON ALL OF LIFE AND LIVE FAITHFULLY.**

### DISCUSS:

### - COLOSSIANS 3:22-25 -

- *WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR FAVORITE PLACE TO WORK SO FAR AND WHY? IF YOU WERE HONEST, WOULD YOU SAY THAT YOUR CURRENT PERSPECTIVE OF WORK IS ONE OF BLESSING OR CURSE? EXPLAIN.*
- *READ COLOSSIANS 3:22-25. ACCORDING TO OUR PASSAGE, CHRISTIANS SHOULD LIVE WITH A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE ON "LORDSHIP." WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR JESUS TO BE LORD IN REGARDS TO HIS AUTHORITY? WHAT ABOUT IN REGARDS TO OUR SUBMISSION?*
- *"UNLESS JESUS IS LORD OF ALL, HE IS NOT LORD AT ALL." WHAT AREAS OF YOUR LIFE HAVE YOU SEEN THE LORDSHIP OF CHRIST MOST EVIDENT? WHAT AREAS OF YOUR LIFE CHALLENGE THE LORDSHIP OF CHRIST THE MOST?*
- *IN A CULTURE THAT IS FILLED WITH INJUSTICE, THE CHURCH CAN BE A SHINING LIGHT FOR THE JUSTNESS AND JUSTICE OF OUR GOD. IN THIS PASSAGE, THE ROMAN CONTEXT AND REALITY OF SLAVERY IS ACKNOWLEDGED, WHILE RADICALLY PLACING BONDSERVANTS AND MASTERS AS EQUALLY "ONE" IN CHRIST. HOW DOES THIS EFFECT THE WAY THAT WE SHOULD VIEW AND TREAT OUR EMPLOYER? OUR CO-WORKERS? OUR EMPLOYEES?*

### APPLY:

- *EMPLOYEES ARE TO DISPLAY THE SUPREMACY OF JESUS IN THEIR WORK. AS CHRISTIANS, WE SHOULD BE THE BEST EMPLOYEES AND HARDEST WORKERS AS EVIDENCED BY OUR (1) DILIGENCE, (2) HONESTY, AND (3) INTEGRITY. WHICH OF THESE DO YOU NEED TO GROW IN? HOW WOULD YOUR CO-WORKERS VIEW JESUS IF THEIR ONLY ENCOUNTER WITH HIM WAS WATCHING HOW YOU WORK? EXPLAIN.*
- *READ LUKE 14:27. OUR VIEW OF JESUS SHOULD DETERMINE HOW WE WORK AND TREAT OTHERS. HOW DOES "FEAR OF AND FOR THE LORD" SHAPE OUR MOTIVE FOR OUR WORK?*
- *"EVEN IN AN UNJUST WORLD, EVEN IN A WORLD THAT IS FILLED WITH WICKEDNESS AND UNRIGHTEOUSNESS, GOD'S PEOPLE ARE EXPECTED TO LET THE SUPREMACY AND SUFFICIENCY OF JESUS RISE UP WITHIN THEM AND TO LIVE OUT THE GOSPEL EVERY SINGLE DAY OF THEIR LIVES." HOW CAN YOU INTENTIONALLY SHINE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST IN YOUR CO-WORKER'S LIVES?*
- *READ ROMANS 14:8-9. IF YOU WERE HONEST, COULD YOU SAY THAT JESUS IS YOUR LORD AND THAT THERE IS EVIDENCE OF BEING BORN AGAIN IN YOUR LIFE? HOW CAN YOU SPECIFICALLY "LIVE TO THE LORD" IN YOUR CURRENT WORKPLACE?*

### PRAY TOGETHER:

- *PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER: THAT OUR VIEW OF JESUS AS LORD WOULD DIRECTLY SHAPE OUR PERSPECTIVE OF WORK.*

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