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As Unto The Lord(1)

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Col. 3 is the Details of John 3.

INT:
Vs. 1-11. Put OFF the old man!
Vs. 12-15. Put ON the new man!
Vs. 16-17. Put IN the Word...
Vs. 18-25. Put AWAY the self!!

PREMISE: THE HIGHEST MOTIVE ON EARTH FOR DOING ANYTHING? IS: FOR THE LORD!!

CAUTION: This means IN SPITE OF any condition in which you now exist!

NOTE: This sounded STRANGE INDEED in A.D. 64 in view of existing domestic & social conditions.

I. WIVES: V. 18. SUBMIT!! Rank! 
1. TO: your Spr. head. Eph. 5:23.
2. SUBMIT: As helper, ADAPT self to your husband. Blend! Cooperate. Partner. Head has LAST word!!!
3. Submit (cooperate) as a service to JESUS first! No matter what the social structure.
4. EXAMPLE:
   b. GREEK TREATMENT OF WIVES: Secluded in isolated apts. Ill. Like Brigham Young and
Salt Lake City. (2) his Bee Hive House. 27 wives. Did not EAT with their wives. Lot: Servitude and chastity...YET... He often had many mistresses. WRONG: Duties to wives; Privledges to husbands.

JESUS: Eph. 5:25. I Cor. 7:4.

II. CHILDREN: V. 20. OBEY! Under!
In spite of 1st Century treatment: ROMAN EMPIRE:

Patria-Po-Tes'tes: Law of Father!! Child could be: Enslaved. Sold. Traded. Given away. Put to death. Imagine: Farmer needing a horse... more seed...fence posts...

WRONG: All Duties to children, all privledges to parents.

JESUS: Eph. 6:4. Act like the Kind, Loving Savior-Jesus!

III. SLAVES (EMPLOYEES TODAY) V. 22.
In spite of Present Treatment!!!!

N. T. PERIOD: Slaves were:

WRONG: All Duties to the slaves, All privledges to the Master.
CONCLUSION:

1. Christian WIVES will make great help-mates because DO ALL FOR JESUS. Ill. Mrs. Billy Graham.... dishes done in name of Jesus, daily.

2. Christian Husbands LOVE (do good) to families FOR JESUS. Col. 3:17.

3. Christian CHILDREN OBEY parents in the Lord because DOING IT FOR the Lord. Listen. Communicate! Help!

CONCLUSION: True! Suffer unjustly FOR A WHILE... maybe. But... Matt. 5:5(Meek) says you WIN!!! in time.

BETTER: To lose a LITTLE now and... win a LOT later than To win a LOT now and...... lose ALL forever!!!!!

INV: * Vs. 23-25.

TWO COLUMNS IN HEAVEN'S LEGER:
# 1. Did RIGHT regardless! Reward!
# 2. Did OWN WILL... wrong, wrong, wrong. Not FIT for THIS Kingdom!!!! CONSIGNED TO HELL: punishment.

CHOICE: All YOURS!!! What has it been