

# Submission: The Key to a Successful Family! God's Will for Today's Servant!



# Paul's Letter to the Believers at Ephesians!

**The Text:**  
Ephesians 6:5-8!

**The Title:**  
Submission: The Key to a Successful Home!  
The Ultimate Act of Worship is Obedience!

**The Theme:**  
(Encouragement & Exhortation of Christ's Church)  
God's Eternal Purpose in the Establishing  
and Completing of His Church!

# An Overview of Our Journey!

- I. (1:1-3:21) The **POSITION** of the Believer in Heaven!
  - A. (Chap.1) The book begins with **praise** and **prayer**!
  - B. (Chaps.2-3) The book builds on the believer's **purpose**!
    1. (1:7) The believers is a **sinner**: Redeemed thru Christ's blood.
    2. (2:8-9) The believers is **saved**: By God's grace through faith.
    3. (3:20-21) The believers is **sanctified**: So that God is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond what we ask or think.

# An Overview of Our Journey!

I. (1:1-3:21) The **POSITION** of the Believer in Heaven!

II. (4:1-6:9) The **PRACTICE** of the Believer on Earth!

A. (4:1, 5:1-2) The believer is to **serve**: By being a living testimony!

B. (5:21-6:9) The believer's family is **summoned**: What love looks like!

1. (4:1-16) By walking in **UNITY**.

2. (4:17-32) By walking in **HOLINESS**.

3. (5:1-6) By walking in **LOVE**.

4. (5:7-17) By walking in the **LIGHT**.

5. (5:17-6:9) By walking in **WISDOM**.

a. (5:22) **Wives** submit to your own husbands!

b. (5:25) **Husbands** love your own wives!

c. (6:1) **Children** obey/honor your own parents!

d. (6:4) **Parents** don't provoke your children by bring them up honorably.

Today's Sermon Outline!  
The "DOs" and "DON'Ts" of the Christian Servant or Slave!

I. (6:5a) The Apostle's CRY!

(Who is Paul talking to?)

II. (6:5b) The Apostle's COMMAND!

(What is Paul saying?)

III. (6:5c-8) The Apostle's CLARIFICATION!

(Why is Paul saying it?)

A. (v.5) The "DOs" of a Christian Slave.

B. (v.6a) The "DON'Ts" of a Christian Slave.

C. (vs. 6b-8) The DISCERNMENT of a Christian Slave.

Closing Verses:

The "DOs" and "DON'Ts" of the Christian Servant or Slave!

**The Purpose of Christian Service is Not Personal Gain (Treatment),  
The Purpose of Christian Service is to Proclaim God's Love (Testimony)!**

**Romans 8:18:**

**For I consider that the sufferings of this present time  
are not worthy to be compared with the glory (Eph.1:3)  
that is to be revealed to us (Eph.1:5).**

**Colossians 3:23-24:**

**Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord  
rather than for men; knowing that from the Lord  
you will receive a reward of the inheritance.  
It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.**