

Direction

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Passage: Colossians 3:1-4

Main Point: Trust God in all things.

Case Study:

A family you know is seeking your counsel. Amid their busy schedules, they have struggled to make time for God. School, work, athletics, music, and other commitments have monopolized their time. It has gotten to the point where they have not been able to make it to church regularly. How do you counsel them?

The Word:

1. How do the verses in Colossians 3:1-4 encourage you to live for God?
2. Read Proverbs 15:27. In what ways can greed be destructive to families?
3. Read Luke 6:20-26. How should we prioritize our lives based on Jesus' words?

The World:

1. What are the most common earthly matters that distract people in our culture?
2. How does being raised with Christ look different from our former way of life?
3. Knowing that we will be raised with Jesus in glory, how should that change the way we live?

The Application:

1. Who in your life could use Jesus' words of comfort from Matthew 6:24-34? How can the Gospel bring peace to their situation?
2. What pursuits do you need prayer about?
3. How can praying together help your family keep an eternal perspective?

<u>What Questions do I have for my Family Group?</u>	<u>Key Cross References:</u>
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How to use this guide:

- **Study and discuss the passage**, not necessarily the outline of the sermon
- Don't feel pressure to ask all the questions, use your discernment based on time and needs of the group
- Engage the mind with good doctrine and move to the heart pushing toward application (A Key diagnostic for the leader to discern the health of his group is to listen "heart" conversation.