

**Jesus—Nothing More, Nothing Less**  
**Transformed Work**  
**Colossians 3:22-4:1**  
Sermon Notes for Nov. 8, 2020

**The Context of Culture:**

**2 Principles, no matter our role in the relationship:**

**1. Our H \_\_\_\_\_ P \_\_\_\_\_ is to Please the Lord.**

**2. Our G \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_ is to Honor the Other.**

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**Discussion/Study Guide for Colossians 3:22-4:1**

We hope this guide will help you go deeper into God’s Word and spur you on in obedience to what God is teaching us today. Please feel free to use all or part of it for your group discussion or personal study.

- Read Colossians 3:17-4:1. How do you think most people in our culture today would accept these commands? Why would it have been different in Paul’s day?
- Though we do not live in a culture that allows slavery, how are these words applicable to us today?
- In what ways are you ever in the role of the “slave?” In what ways are you ever in the role of the “master?”
- What motivations does Paul instruct slaves to avoid in their work? What should be our proper motivation in our work?
- Note the number of times Paul mentions “the Lord” in these verses. What does this tell you about how we should work for someone or treat someone who does work for us?
- What does it mean to you to work with “sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord?”
- What does it mean to you to work “heartily, as for the Lord and not for men?”
- How does knowing that “from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward” change your perspective on work?
- According to 4:1, how should the master (boss) treat his slaves (employees)?
- How is this abused in today’s world?
- In what practical ways can you demonstrate honor to those who serve you? To those you serve?

Reflect on your week and think about the times you may either be a “slave” or a “master.” Commit to pleasing the Lord your greatest priority and honoring others your godly responsibility.