

Message Series:

Membership Has Its Privileges: Walking with Christ A Study of Ephesians 4-6

Message for Sunday, June 6:

The new normal with relationships Ephesians 6:5-9

Ephesians 6:5–8 (The Message)

⁵⁻⁸ *Servants, respectfully obey your earthly masters but always with an eye to obeying the real master, Christ. Don't just do what you have to do to get by, but work heartily, as Christ's servants doing what God wants you to do. And work with a smile on your face, always keeping in mind that no matter who happens to be giving the orders, you're really serving God. Good work will get you good pay from the Master, regardless of whether you are slave or free.*

Today's Main Thought: Employee and employer roles, responsibilities and work place relationships in the new normal.

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- **Employees**, respectfully **obey** your **employers** as to Christ, v. 5-8; Psalm 8:6; Romans 14:7-9; Colossians 1:12; 3:22; Titus 2: 9-10; 1 Peter 2:18-21; 1 John 2:9
 - Respectfully comply with your employer's requirements in view of the fact that...

- Believers are expected to live out their lives in every area as unto the Lord-**Be accountable!**
- He/She may or may not be a believer.
- My motivation to produce **high quality work** cannot driven by the worth and merit I receive from another but **by who I am in Jesus Christ.**

- **Employers**, respectfully **take care of** your **employees** as to Christ, v. 9; ; Matthew 7:12, 22:38-39; Deuteronomy 10:17; Acts 10:34; Romans 2:11, 3:22; Colossians 3:11

- Employers take heed to God's ethical standard known as **the golden rule** ...
 - Treat your employees in the manner you want to be treated-**Be accountable!**
 - Practice restraint from making **unreasonable demands** on your employees.
 - Strive to create a culture of **fairness**, **conflict resolution**, committed to excellence, accountability and mission focused.

Next Week: Special Fathers Day Message
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