**Gospel Powered Homes**

(Colossians 3)

**Main Point:** *believing the gospel = new identity = transformed Homes.*

**I. Starting point – The Gospel**

Colossians 1:5b-6

Colossians 1:9-14

Colossians 2:13-14

Colossians 2:20-23

Colossians 3:1-4

**II. New Identity – New Clothes**

Colossians 3:5-17 (ESV)

**III. A renewed Home**

Colossians 3:12-15

James 1:19-20

Colossians 3:18-24

3 specific relationships mentioned here:

Marital – Eph. 5:25, Rom.5:6-8

Parent/Child – Phil. 2:8, Titus 2:11-12

Work - Hate it, Love it

“It is inaccurate to think the gospel is what saves non-Christians, and then Christians mature by trying hard to live according to biblical principles. It is more accurate to say that we are saved by believing the gospel, and then we are transformed in every part of our minds, hearts, and lives by believing the gospel more and more deeply as life goes on.” Tim Keller – Center Church.

**Other Quotes:**

*“The gospel is regularly presented not only as truth to be received and believed, but the very power of God to transform… One of the most urgently needed things today is a careful treatment of how the gospel, biblically and richly understood, ought to shape everything we do in the local church, all of our ethics, all of our priorities.”  --*D.A. Carson, “What is the Gospel?—Revisited”

*“Christ has no body on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours.  Yours are the eyes through which Christ’s compassion for the world is to look out.  Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good; and yours are the hands with which He is to bless us now.”*  -- St. Teresa of Avila.

*“for God has made us in such a way that our fellowship with himself is fed by our fellowship with fellow-Christians, and requires to be fed constantly for its own deepening and enrichment.”*  -- J.I. Packer

**Recommended Resources:**

Marriage- *What did you Expect, Redeeming the Realities of Marriage* by Paul Tripp

Parenting- *Give them Grace*  by Elyse Fitzpatrick

Work- *Every Good Endeavor: Connecting Your Work to God's Work* by Tim Keller

