Christianity at Work Col 3:22-4:1 Pastor Conley

Review:

While no one in our congregation is technically in a "slave/master" relationship – we all find ourselves in some sort of relationship where we are "subject" (obedient) to an authority over us. God's Word gives us clear, helpful, and challenging instructions on how we are to live in these relationships.

Outline Review:

- Honest obedience because God watches.
- II. Energetic zeal because God rewards.
- III. Fair treatment because God judges.

Application:

- 1. Who are some "masters" in your life? Is there anyone for whom you are the "master?"
- 2. Based on vs 22, in what areas are we to obey those in authority over us? What if they ask us to disobey God?
- 3. Who are we to fear when serving our earthly authorities? Who are we ultimately working for?
- 4. Do you work harder when you know your boss is watching you? How often are you aware that God is watching you as you work?
- 5. What are some rewards that you earn for the work you do? Does God reward us for the work we do?
- 6. How should you respond to an authority that doesn't treat you fairly? How did Christ respond to those who didn't treat him fairly? (See I Peter 2:21.)