



The Spirit-Filled Family

Ephesians 6:1-9

- 1) Spirit-filled *believers* submit to God & each other (5:18-6:9)
 - a) *Wives* to their husbands (22-24, 33)
 - b) *Husbands* to Christ (25-33)
 - c) *Children* to parents (6:1-3; cf. Exod. 20:12)
- 2) Spirit-filled *fathers* don't exasperate their children (6:4)
 - a) Not a workaholic, neglecting family
 - b) Not irritable or impatient
 - c) Not overly strict; balancing *no w/ yes*
 - d) Not inconsistent
 - e) Not unreasonable w/ demands; showing grace
 - f) Complimentary; able to be pleased
 - g) Spends time w/ family; not shallow
- 3) Spirit-filled *employees* work as if God is watching (6:5-8)
 - a) Respecting human authority
 - b) Working to please divine Savior
- 4) Spirit-filled *employers* oversee as Christ oversees them (6:9)
 - a) Being kind to employees
 - b) Knowing they're equal to subordinates