

a new way to **LIVE**

**SUBVERSION, Ephesians 6:5-9 May 19, 2019**

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1. Who are the primary “audiences” in your life? Whose approval do you crave? Whose rejection do you fear?

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2. Pastor Matthew discussed living with Christ as our “audience of one.” What does it mean to live with an “audience of one”? How closely do you feel you are to living like this?
3. Read Ephesians 6:5-9 & Colossians 3:22-4:1. Pick out three or four specific values the Apostle Paul commands us to follow. How might these values have subverted the system of slavery in the Roman Empire? How do these values impact employer/employee relationships today?
4. Read Ephesians 6:9. How does God view the “master” and the “slave”? How does that shape the way we should see each other? Correlate this with Genesis 1:27-28 with regard to bearing God’s image and sharing dominion over the earth.
5. Evaluate Ephesians 6:7-8. How does the thought of living for God’s rewards transform our work today? Consider Hebrews 12:2, 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 1 Peter 1:3-5, Matthew 25:21, Matthew 6:6 & Revelation 22:12.

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6. Think about your work (or school) environment. How can you lean into Paul’s vision more effectively? Describe specific examples.