

## **Living Out Apologetics**

### **Ephesians 6:1-9**

When we live for Christ, the way we live will reveal to others how the gospel has positively impacted our lives

#### **1) Family Life vs. 1-4**

How the family interacts with each other will either promote the gospel or distort the gospel to others. When children display honour that allows their parents to feel valued, and when parents model God honouring interactions with their children, God will use this family's interactions to promote the gospel.

#### **Questions:**

- 1) Unfortunately, too many people, including Christians, have a public and a private persona. They appear as warm, congenial, righteous people in public, but are worse at home. We are our worst selves with the people closest to us. Christians should have only one persona, or we are no longer living in truth.

As a result, the home is a proving ground for the sincerity of our faith. What is your home reflecting about you? Your family?

#### **2) Function in Society vs. 5-9**

How God's people live out their daily life within society, this will either promote the gospel or distort the gospel to others. Whether a person is seen of low position or is seen as high position in society, God's people promote the gospel through living out their identity in Christ by serving each person wholeheartedly in the same way as they would serve their Lord.

#### **Questions:**

- 2) Each of us, no matter what position of authority we have, should remember that we have a higher authority in heaven. God will hold you accountable for how you treat the people under your care, whether they are students, children, or employees. What is one way you can improve as an authority to those under you?
- 3) How do you treat the people who service your car, check out your groceries, take your order at a restaurant, collect your trash, deliver your mail, etc.?

#### **Conclusion:**

When we live for Christ, our lives will provide evidence to others that the gospel is true. How we love our spouse, honour our parents, instruct and love our children, and serve wholeheartedly in our society the same as we would serve our Lord, the truth about the gospel is revealed.