

## Family Members Do their Different Duties

About 3 minutes, applies Col. 3 18 – 4 1 & Eph. 5:21-33

Participants (*No need to memorize lines; the aim is to relive sacred events, not to perform*)

Husband

Wife

Junior (*If a girl, then replace Junior with June.*)

Prompter Shout a brief line and Echoes repeat it.

Echoes Children and all adults who want to take part. Echoes need no script.

Husband Well, dear, did you notice a wife's duties, that we read in Colossians?  
You are to be subject to your husband. You have to do everything I say!

Prompter & Echoes Everything!

Wife Now, wait. It doesn't say to "subject" me; I am to submit myself.

Husband I don't see the difference.

Wife Then remember the husbands' duties in Ephesians 5 also, dear.

Husband It says we're to love our wives and not be embittered against them.

Wife Aha! A loving husband makes his wife's submission joyful.  
You are to love me as Jesus loved his church and gave his life for it.  
So there!

Husband Well, can you say that a bit more submissively?

Wife Oh! I will try.  
Dear God, help me to be a godly and respectful wife.

Husband And help me show my love in a more conscientious way.

Prompter & Echoes Amen!

Wife I see it now. You love me, I respect you, and we are both happy.

Husband Oh, here is Junior. Son, do you recall what we read in Colossians?

Junior Yeah, dad. We're to obey our parents in all things, and it pleases the Lord.  
So we've gotta do what you say.

Wife And what I say, too. Now, it's time for you to go to bed.

Prompter & Echoes Now!

Junior Not yet! I have a new video game.  
Why do I have to go to bed when I am not tired?  
You always nag me about this, mom.

Father (*Shout angrily*)  
Is that how you answer your mother?  
You are grounded for a week. You deserve worse!  
Do what your mom says. Now!

Wife                    Just a moment, husband dear!  
                              How did the Bible say to correct our kids?

Prompter & Echoes   You forgot!

Husband                Oh! We are not to exasperate our kids and make them bitter.  
                              I'm sorry, Junior. I should not have shouted at you so angrily.  
                              I will not ground you this time. But I will next time.  
                              Now, please do as your mom says, and we will all be happy.

Junior                    Yes, dad. Right now.  
                              Good night mom. Good night dad. I love you both.

Prompter & Echoes   And we love you!