

## ***“The Challenge of Consistent Living”***

### **The Cosmic Supremacy of Christ**

Col. 3:17 • pt. 33

#### INTRODUCTION

- the difficulty of living spiritually consistent lives
- the world’s charge of ‘hypocrisy!’
  - + Jesus despised this grievous sin  
Mt. 23
  - + the church is comprised *exclusively* of sinners
  - + hypocrisy is but one flavor of sin
  - + don’t miss the central issue...

#### *1. The scope of God’s command*

- all-inclusive command
- the ‘sacred’ / ‘secular’ myth

#### *2. The substance of God’s command*

= doing everything under His authority

1 Cor. 6:19-20

= doing everything to His approval

2 Cor. 5:9

“It is better that God approve, than man applaud.”

– Thomas Watson

“Human applause is a delicious poison which infuses itself into the purest Christian service. This yearning for fame and exaltation gradually tarnishes the purity of the best actions.”

– Hannah More

= doing everything for His glory

1 Cor 10:31

#### *3. The setting of God’s command*

#### APPLICATION