

# COLOSSIANS

THE SUPREMACY OF JESUS IN ALL THINGS

LESSONS



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# AS WE CONSIDER IDENTITY:

- There are no neutral messages from the world, our flesh or the enemy.
- If your identity is not anchored in Jesus, your identity will be shaped by whichever voices are loudest.



# AS WE CONSIDER IDENTITY:

- A primary tactic of the enemy, our flesh, and the fallen world is to use shreds of truth to lead us to false solutions.



# AS WE CONSIDER IDENTITY:

- Only Jesus Christ has the true right, power and authority to bestow, form and shape our identity.



**If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.**



**For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.**

**Colossians 3:1-4**



# Colossians 3:1-4

19.8°

## FOUNDATIONAL REALITIES THAT FRAME HUMAN IDENTITY:

- God is.
- Jesus is at His right hand.
- This world is not my home.
- Jesus is my life.



# Colossians 3:1

19.8°

**POSITIONAL CONTEXT:** Jesus is “at the right hand of God” which indicates:

- **His Ultimate Power & Authority** (Ephesians 1:19-21)
- **His Messianic Fulfillment** (Psalm 110, Matthew 22:44)
- **His Ongoing Love & Favor** (Romans 8:31-34, Hebrews 7:25)



# Colossians 3:2

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## Our response to who/where Jesus is:

- “SET” – Active pursuit; not passive
- “YOUR MINDS” – The mind serves as the watchman of the soul
- “ABOVE” – Our primary focus must shift from earthly things to the massive foundational reality of Jesus Christ
- Individual & Corporate: Y’ALL set Y’ALL’S minds



# Colossians 3:3

19, 8°

**“You have died...”**

- **Dead to the world, alive in Jesus (Col. 2:20)**

**“...your life is hidden in Christ...”**

- **Protected, secure**
- **Paul’s summary: Galatians 2:20**

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# Colossians 3:4

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## Christ appears & you appear with Him!

### FUTURE HOPE

- The invisible hope of glory believed on by faith will become visible to all.
- Looking ahead at what is to come helps us be good stewards of where we are now.



Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming.



In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.



**Do not lie to one another, seeing that  
you have put off the old self with its  
practices.**

**Colossians 3:5-9**



# Colossians 3:5-7

**V. 5: “Be killing sin, or sin will be killing you.”  
(John Owen, *The Mortification of Sin*)**

**V. 6: A sober warning! God’s wrath, now hidden, will also be revealed.**

**V. 7: We have no moral high ground to condemn each other.**



# Colossians 3:8-9

19, 8°

**V. 8: Renounce, throw down, cast off the weight of your old identity (Hebrews 12:1), but not by worldly, human standards (Colossians 2:20-23).**

**V. 9: You can't lie to someone without telling lies about God.**

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...And have put on the new self, which  
is being renewed in knowledge after  
the image of its creator.

Colossians 3:10



# Colossians 3:10

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*“...put on the new self...”*

- Live from your new identity (2 Cor. 5:17)

*“...which is being renewed...”*

- Active, ongoing process

*“...in knowledge...”*

- Uphold the standard of the Word

*“...after the image of its creator.”*

- Your core purpose/identity – Imago Dei



Here there is not Greek and Jew,  
circumcised and uncircumcised,  
barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but  
Christ is all, and in all.

Colossians 3:11



Put on then, as God's chosen ones,  
holy and beloved, compassionate  
hearts, kindness, humility,  
meekness, and patience,



bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

Colossians 3:12-13



# Colossians 3:12

**Put on that which best reflects the hidden reality of your new identity in Jesus.** (Romans 13:14, Galatians 3:26-28)

## GOD'S CHOSEN ONES:

**Holy – pure, right, set apart**

**Beloved – adopted, rescued, dear**



# Colossians 3:13

Two categories of interaction and two ways of “putting on”:

STRANGENESS (FORBEAR): Don't treat the strangeness of others as if it were sin.

SIN (FORGIVE): Don't expect better treatment than Jesus got. Forgive as you have been forgiven.



**And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.**

**Colossians 3:14**

**So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love. – 1 Corinthians 13:13**



And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

Colossians 3:15



# Colossians 3:15

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**Those in Christ already have His peace:**  
John 14:7, Romans 5:1, Philippians 4:7

**The question is not do we have His  
peace, *but are we allowing it to rule?***

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Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Colossians 3:16



And whatever you do, in word or deed, do  
everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,  
giving thanks to God the Father through Him.  
Colossians 3:17

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## PAUL'S EMPHASIS:

“...be thankful...” (v. 15)

“...with thankfulness...” (v. 16)

“...giving thanks to God...” (v. 17)



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