

COLOSSIANS – 3:1-7

*“If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above,
where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.”*

- Colossians 3:1

1. 3:1-2 – Seek Heavenly Things

- a. Presuming your risen position – Col 2:10,12, Rom 6:5, 8:34, Eph 2:6
- b. Christ sits in heavenly places – Eph 1:19-20, Phil 3:20, Col 4:1
- c. ‘To seek’ is ‘to look for’, endeavor – Rom 14:7-9, 1Cor 6:19-20 (*not Mat 6:33*)
- d. Our passion is heavenly – 2 Cor 5:15, 1 Tim 2:4, Eph 2:10, Titus 2:14,
- e. The earthly rudiments are not ours – Heb 13:14, Rom 3:13-19, 1 Cor 3:19, Gal 4:3

2. 3:3-4 – Your Life With Christ

- a. First, reckon yourself dead – Rom 6:7-11, this is the biggest step.
- b. A life hidden, “laid up”, not seen on Earth – Col 1:5, 27, Phil 1:21, Rom 8:18
- c. When our life appears, – Rom 8:24, 2Cor 4:18, 5:7-8
- d. The blessed hope of glory is our hope - Titus 2:11-13

3. 3:5-6 – Mortifying Earthly Members

- a. Our members of service – Rom 6:13, Rom 7:22-24, 1 Cor 9:27
- b. Earthly members and outward problems - Gal 5:16-19, 2 Cor 2:14-16
- c. The wrath of God on the disobedient – Eph 5:3-6
- d. Are you a child of death or life? – Eph 5:7-11, Rom 6:23

4. 3:7 – Your Old Life

- a. Life *def.* – Your ability to be (exist), power to walk
- b. Walk *def.* – A course of life, to pursue that course
- c. You are in this world, but do not walk after it – 2 Cor 10:2-6
- d. Your course used to be earthly – Eph 2:2, Rom 8:1
- e. Your old life was earthly – it was mean, low estate – Phil 3:13-14
- f. But now you walk after the Spirit (position) – Rom 8:9, 11-12, Eph 3:10