

An aerial view of Prague, Czech Republic, during sunset. The Vltava River flows through the city, with the Charles Bridge in the foreground. The city is filled with historic buildings, including a prominent church with a green dome. The sky is filled with soft, golden light from the setting sun.

WELCOME
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International Baptist Church
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SERMON

Paul's Letter to the
Colossians



Colossians 3:5-17: “Christian Living”

Colossians 2:6-7

So then, just as you received Christ
Jesus as Lord,
continue to live your lives in him,
rooted and built up in him,
strengthened in the faith
as you were taught,
and overflowing with thankfulness.



Colossians 3:1-4: FOCUS on JESUS

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

For you died, and your life is now 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 NIV

Too heavenly minded...

To be any earthly good



**Head in the
clouds....**

**... feet on the
ground**



Colossians 3:5-11: REMOVING the OLD

⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. ⁶ Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived.

⁸ But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. ⁹ Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.

¹¹ Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

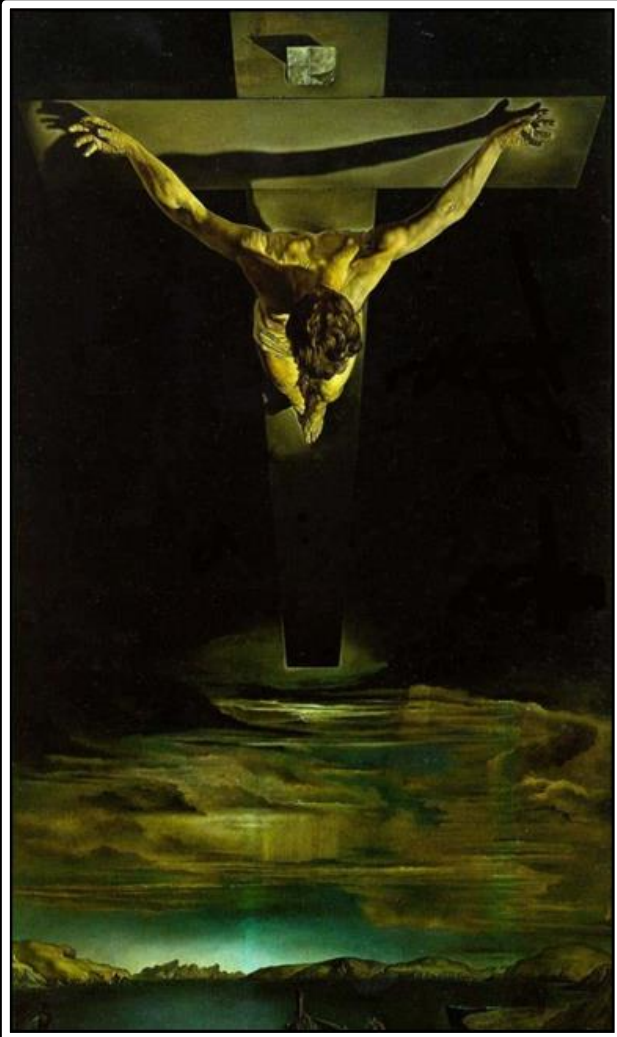
Colossians 3:5-11: REMOVING the OLD Union with Christ applied to daily living means...

Putting sins to death 3:5-7

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Colossians 3:5-11: REMOVING the OLD Union with Christ applied to daily living means...

Putting sins away 3:8

But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these:

anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips.

Putting a stop to lying 3:9

Do not lie to each other...



SPURGEON'S PRAYER (1)



Lord, save me from my sins.

By the name of Jesus I am encouraged thus to pray.

Save me from my past sins, that the habit of them may not hold me captive.

Save me from my constitutional sins, that I may not be the slave of my own weaknesses.

Save me from the sins which are continually under my eye that I may not lose my horror of them.

Save me from secret sins; sins unperceived by me from my want of light.

Save me from sudden and surprising sins: let me not be carried off my feet by a rush of temptation.

Save me, Lord, from every sin.

Let not any iniquity have dominion over me.

SPURGEON'S PRAYER (2)



Thou alone canst do this.

I cannot snap my own chains or slay my own enemies.

Thou knowest temptation, for Thou wast tempted.

Thou knowest sin, for Thou didst bear the weight of it.

Thou knowest how to succour me in my hour of conflict;

Thou canst save me from sinning and save me when I have sinned.

It is promised in Thy very name that Thou wilt do this, and I pray Thee let me this day verify the prophecy.

Let me not give way to temper, or pride, or despondency, or any form of evil;

but do Thou save me unto holiness of life,

that the name of Jesus may be glorified in me abundantly.

Colossians 3:5-11: REMOVING the OLD

Union with Christ applied to daily living means...

We have a new identity and a new unity in Christ

3:10-11: ...since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.



Run Baby Run

The story of

NICKY CRUZ

'A Christian legend in his time.' BILLY GRAHAM

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Colossians 3:12-17: PUTTING ON the NEW

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. ¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:12-17: PUTTING ON the NEW Union with Christ means expressing love 3:12-14



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Colossians 3:12-17: PUTTING ON the NEW Union with Christ means enjoying peace 3:15

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
since as members of one body you were
called to peace. And be thankful.

- Colossians 3:15 -



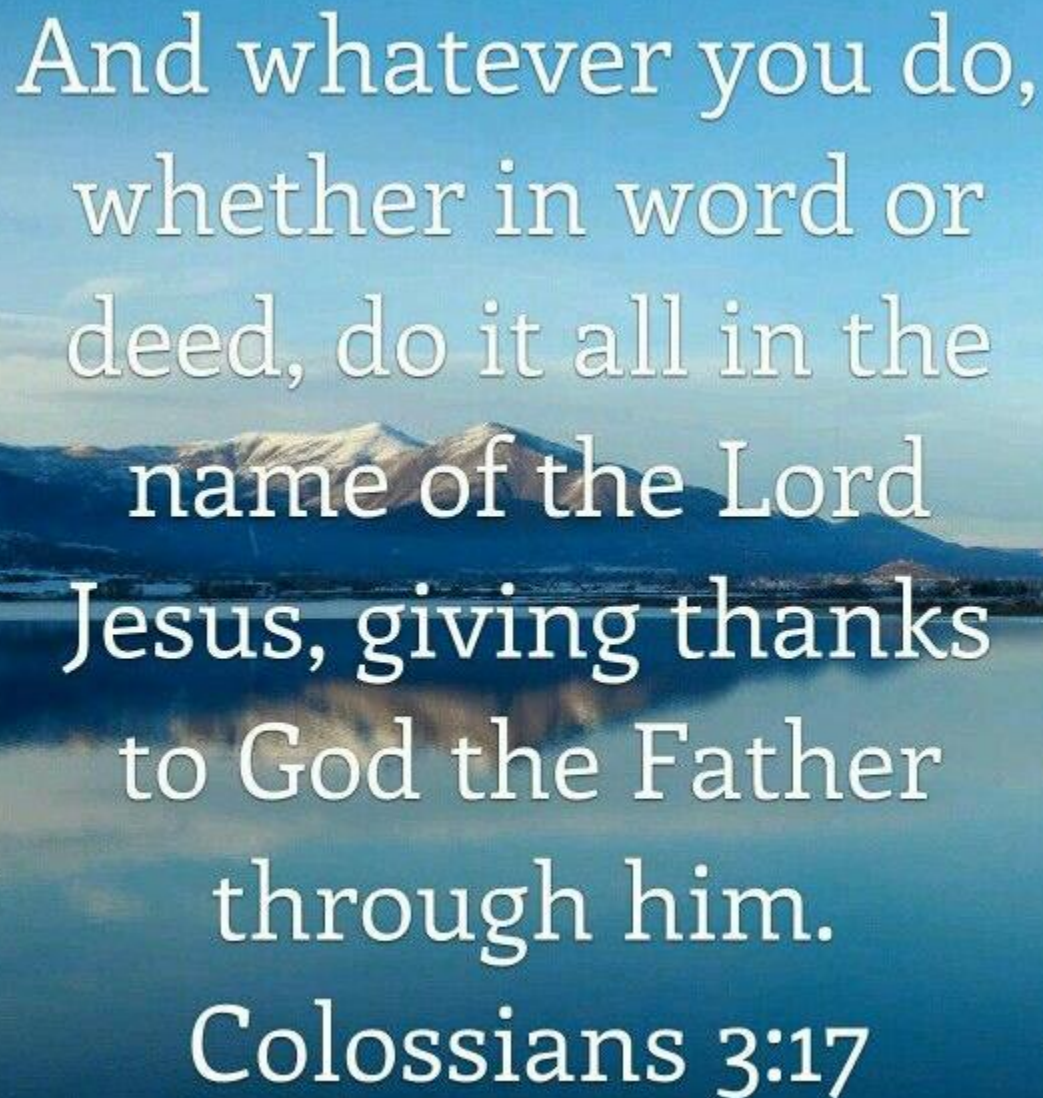
Colossians 3:12-17: PUTTING ON the NEW
Union with Christ means experiencing God's Word
3:16

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Colossians 3:16



**Colossians 3:12-17: PUTTING ON the NEW
Union with Christ means exalting Christ 3:17**



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whether in word or
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name of the Lord
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to God the Father
through him.
Colossians 3:17

Colossians 3:5-17: “Christian Living”

CONTINUE: So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him...

FOCUS: Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

REMOVE: Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature...

PUT ON: Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved... put on love...

REJOICE: And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

To
God
be the Glory!