

Living It Out - Colossians - Lesson 9 - Study Notes



Video Notes

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Read Colossians 3:1-4

Verse 1 says that “you have been raised with Christ”. Look up the following verses and write, in your own words, what it means to be raised up with Christ.

- Colossians 1:13 –
- Romans 6:3-10 –
- 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 –

Because we have been raised up with Christ, what two activities are we to be involved with, according to verse 1 and 2?

- 1.
- 2.

When Paul tells us to set our hearts and minds on things above, he is telling us to look at life from God’s perspective and to seek what He desires. We are to be living with an eye toward eternity. Our focal point is to be Christ. Our lives are to be shaped by the life of Christ. Our tongues are to reflect the gracious speech of Christ. Our actions are to be selfless like that of Christ.

Before you go any further in this week’s notes, I would like for you to take some time to meditate on what you have just read. Prayerfully consider what steps you can take to turn your thoughts, affections,

attitudes, and actions more fully in the right direction – focusing and setting them on Christ. The word “set” (vs. 1) means to seek something out with a desire to possess it. Do you desire to seek God so deeply that He possesses your thoughts, your affections, your attitudes, your behavior, and everything about you? Write down your thoughts here or in your journal.

Let’s look at one more thing from this week’s passage. Verse 3 says that, “your life is now hidden with Christ in God”. What does this mean? This means our lives are concealed and safe. Several thoughts come to my mind as I read this:

- Our salvation is sure! We don’t have to do anything to earn our salvation. Christ alone secures it. We can be sure of this!
- We can also take comfort in knowing that even as the world condemns us and Satan accuses us, we are safe from any attack and are hidden in God.
- Because our life is hidden in Him, He enables us to live in a new way. He is the power source for being able to live the life He wants me to live.

Spend some time praising God for how your life is hidden in Him!!!

Reread this week’s passage one more time. Try a different translation. Ask yourself these questions:

1. In what ways have I **not** been living out the truths of this week’s passage in my life?
2. What steps will I take to live out this passage this week?

Write your answers below.