

Life Group Homework

For the week of March 3, 2019

MY STORY

1. What do you value most in a friendship?
2. What was your takeaway from last week's study?

QUICK REVIEW

3. Upon reviewing your notes from Sunday's teaching, what caught your attention?

DIGGING DEEPER

Colossians 3:1-17(ESV)

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹ Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

¹² Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³ 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. ¹⁴ And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ 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. ¹⁷ 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.

4. In the opening verses of this letter of Paul to the Colossians, what does he tell them to do with their minds?
5. What does it mean to set your mind on something, and how do we do it?

6. What are the things that Paul tells them to put to death?

7. What are the things he tells us to put on?

TAKING IT HOME

In Week One of this quarter Pastor Craig introduced us to the image of a tree and how it relates to our lives. The roots are the hurts that many of us carry in our lives. The trunk represents the beliefs or lies that we believe based on the hurts, and the branches are our behaviors. In the next few questions we are going to work from the branches down to the roots to help us have a greater understanding as to why we may have some of these negative behaviors still lurking in our lives.



We will use the behavior of coveting to help us understand how to get to the roots of the issue.

8. What does coveting look like as a behavior in our lives?
9. What lie do we believe when we covet something that belongs to someone else?
10. What could some of the roots be for this lie?
11. What three questions can you ask God to help you move from the negative behaviors to setting your mind on things above? (Hint: see questions 8-10.)

CHAIR TIME TOOL

This week in your Chair Time ask God to reveal the answers to the following questions.

12. What behavior or attitude do you want me to address?

13. What lie or agreement am I believing about the above behavior or attitude?

14. What is at the root? Will you heal this place in my heart?

Set Apart and Loving Deeply

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SALVATION:

In the PAST, I was saved from the **PENALTY** of sin. (Justification)
Ephesians 2:8-9

In the PRESENT, I am being saved from the **POWER** of sin. (Sanctification)
Philippians 2:12-13

In the FUTURE, I will be saved from the **PRESENCE** of sin. (Glorification)
Romans 5:9

Two States of Sanctification:

- The **finished action** of being made holy-complete.
Hebrews 10:10, I Corinthians 1:30
- The **daily process** of becoming holy-progressive.
I Peter 2:2, Hebrews 12:14, II Peter 3:18

HEAVEN TO EARTH:

Colossians 3:1-4

ALL TO JESUS:

Colossians 3:5-10

CLOTHE YOURSELVES WITH LOVE:

Colossians 3:12-14

1 Peter 2:11-17

So....

- Live in such a way that people glorify God.
- Pray for and submit to authority...to silence the ignorant talk of foolish people.
- Live as free people...live as God's slaves...reach wide and deep.