

WEEK #5 (October 30th) • In Christ
Our Minds Are Set On Things That Are Above (1)
Colossians 3:1-17

1. Paul is about to launch into a series of serious admonitions and commands. Why does he root them in, “If then you have been raised with Christ” (3:1)?
2. What does it mean to “seek the things that are above, where Christ is” (3:1)?
3. Practically speaking, how do I go about “setting” my mind “on things that are above” (3:2)?
4. Why is it vital to my spiritual success that I would remember the truths contained in 3:3-4?
5. Paul describes a number of things that are “earthly” in us (3:5-9). What does he mean by “earthly,” and why does he use such strong, violent language in this charge?
6. How is “the new self” being “renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator,” and what does this even mean (3:10)?
7. We get the sense that a profound conclusion is being reached in 3:11. What is that conclusion and why is it important?
8. Paul describes disciples of Christ as:
 - ▶ God’s chosen ones -
 - ▶ holy -
 - ▶ beloved -What do these designations mean?
9. In what way does love “bind everything together in perfect harmony” (3:14)?
10. In your own words, how would you summarize the Spirit’s admonition in 3:15-17?