

Christ, Our Life

(Colossians 3:1-7)

- Introduction:
1. What do you believe is the greatest threat to the church today?
 2. I was asked that question on a podcast recently, and my answer was mediocrity.
 3. The Bible teaches that Jesus must be “our life.”
 4. For example, consider these verses:
 - a. (Romans 14:8) – For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.
 - b. (Philippians 1:21) – For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.
 - c. (Galatians 2:20) – I am crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me...
 - d. (1 Corinthians 6:19-20) – We are not our own, we have been bought with a price.
 - e. (Ecclesiastes 12:13) – Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole of man.
 - f. (Colossians 3:4) – Christ, our life.

I. A Change in Our Purpose

- A. (Colossians 3:1).
- B. We no longer live for worldly, temporal pursuits.
- C. Are we in “pursuit” of heaven?

II. A Change in Our Thinking

- A. (Colossians 3:2-3).
- B. If heaven is our pursuit, we must think about it?
- C. Do spiritual matters dominate our thoughts?

III. A Change in our Destiny

- A. (Colossians 3:4-7).
- B. If Christ is our life, he will change our destiny.
- C. We must stop living the way we once did and make Jesus our life.

- Conclusion:
1. It’s easy to be a mediocre Christian.
 2. It salves our conscience and deceives us into thinking that we can be saved with Christ as a hobby.
 3. He can’t be our hobby, he must be our life.
 4. Is he your life?