

02.28.16 Colossians 3:5-11 Primer

Be Killing Sin or it will Be Killing You

Hear the Good News:

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all. - Colossians 3:5-11

*Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "**You shall be holy, for I am holy.**" - 1 Peter 1:13-16*

The Point:

Our new self 'in Christ' and our old self 'in Adam' are at war with each other. By the power of the gospel, through the work of the Spirit, we need to daily fight for holiness.

Quote:

"Repentance requires greater intimacy with God than with our sin." -Rosaria Butterfield

Embrace the Good News:

1. What was your big takeaway from Sunday's message?
2. Read Colossians 3:5-11 and 1 Peter 1:13-16
3. What does this passage teach about God (his characteristics, his actions, his plan)?
4. What does this passage teach about humanity (our propensities, our needs, our responsibilities)?
5. How do you begin to embrace the teaching of this passage? What does it mean for your life as a follower of Jesus?

6. Practically speaking, why is this passage significant for your development as a follower of Jesus Christ?

Live the Good News:

1. How does this passage impact the way that you live out the Good News in your home and in your relationships with friends and family?

a. Parents: How can you model these truths to your kids and help them to understand these complex concepts?

2. How does it impact the way that you weave the thread of the gospel as you interact with your church family? In our local community? To the ends of the earth?