

Last week: The resurrection of Jesus Christ changes everything.

Jesus Christ is the Center of our life and healthy relationships.

“It is not about you. It is not about me. It is about Jesus Christ.” John 14:6

Become what you are a person living the life of Jesus Christ. Be preoccupied with Jesus Christ. Live the resurrection life.

- **Set Your Heart on Jesus Christ. (Col 3:1)**
  - Heart - Inner life or self, intention, will
  - Seek life like Christ.
  - Let your focus on Jesus determine your earthly responses.
  - Christ is Lord seated in all of his authority.
  - Focus on Heavenly values. Matt 6:33; 1Chron 22:19 Now devote your heart and soul to seeking the Lord your God.
  - See Col 3:12-14
- **Set Your Mind on Jesus Christ. (Col 3:2)**
  - Christ centered or Heavenly thoughts.
  - Think like Christ. 1Cor 2:16
  - Renew your mind. Phil 4:8; Rom 12:2
  - Word of God/Worship – v. 15-16
- **Set Your Lifestyle on Jesus Christ. (Col 3:5-11)**
  - Put to death the earthly nature. (5-9)
  - Put on your new self. (10-11)
  - See no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil, do no evil.
  - 1Thess 5:21-24
- **Set your Character on Jesus Christ. (Col 3:12-17)**
  - Chosen people, holy and loved.
  - Cloth yourselves.
  - Confession, Forgiveness, Peace, Thankfulness

**v. 17 And whatever do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.**

**Life Group Questions**

1. Take time to read Colossians 3:1-17
2. How do people today try to be the center of attention?
3. When you think of the phrase “Christ is the Center” what comes to your mind? How does John 14:6 relate to this for followers of Jesus Christ?
4. Paul gets very practical about how we can live the resurrection in this passage. What stands out to you about “setting” your life on Christ?
5. You have heard the phrase, “They are so heavenly minded that they are of no earthly good.” Why does a focus on Christ contradict this earthly saying?
6. How does setting our hearts on Christ determine our response to the issues in our relationships?
7. Christ is seated at the right hand of God the Father. What does this symbolize and how does this impact our devotion to Jesus Christ?
8. Why does our mind need to be renewed in heavenly thinking? How does Phil 4:8 and Romans 12:1-2 assist in renewing our mind?
9. How does our lifestyle and relationships change as a result of setting our hearts and minds on Jesus Christ?
10. There is fruit that results from us being in Jesus Christ. What fruit is evident or growing in a follower of Jesus Christ according verses 12-17 in our passage?
11. Take time personally to ask the Lord to set your heart, mind, lifestyle, and character on Christ. Pray for one another that you are living the resurrection life.