

“Putting on the New Self”

Colossians 3:1-8

Key verse: Colossians 3:10 — "... put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him— / **Colosenses 3.10 —** "... vestido del nuevo hombre, el cual se va renovando hacia un verdadero conocimiento, conforme a la imagen de aquel que lo creó;"

I. Putting on the New Self:

Colossians 3:1–2 — "¹ Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.

Colosenses 3.1–8 — "¹ Si habéis, pues, resucitado con Cristo, buscad las cosas de arriba, donde está Cristo sentado a la diestra de Dios. ² Poned la mira en las cosas de arriba, no en las de la tierra.

A. It presumes we have experienced spiritual conversion. – *Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ*

- Jesus told Nicodemus, John 3:3 —** "...Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." / **Juan 3.3 —** "³ Respondió Jesús y le dijo: En verdad, en verdad te digo que el que no nace de nuevo no puede ver el reino de Dios."

B. It requires continuous spiritual growth and knowledge. - *keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.*

C. It necessitates a heavenly-minded life. - ² *Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.*

- Peter says - 1 Peter 1:13 —** "¹³ Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." / **1 Peter 1:13 —** "¹³ Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ."

II. Why should we put on the New Self?

Colossians 3:3 For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

Colosenses 3.3 Porque habéis muerto, y vuestra vida está escondida con Cristo en Dios. ⁴ Cuando Cristo, nuestra vida, sea manifestado, entonces vosotros también seréis manifestados con Él en gloria.

A. The central core of our life has shifted to Heaven.

- We have been severed from the power of the old nature.** - **Galatians 2:20 —** "²⁰ "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me." / **Gálatas 2.20 —** "²⁰ Con Cristo he sido crucificado, y ya no soy yo el que vive, sino que Cristo vive en mí; y la vida que ahora vivo en la carne, la vivo por fe en el Hijo de Dios, el cual me amó y se entregó a sí mismo por mí."

- Our true identity is hidden to be revealed with Christ** – see **1 Corinthians 15:42–44 —** "⁴² So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown a perishable body, it is raised an imperishable

body; ⁴³ it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; ⁴⁴ it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body.” / 1 Corintios 15.42–44 — “⁴² Así es también la resurrección de los muertos. Se siembra un cuerpo corruptible, se resucita un cuerpo incorruptible; ⁴³ se siembra en deshonra, se resucita en gloria; se siembra en debilidad, se resucita en poder; ⁴⁴ se siembra un cuerpo natural, se resucita un cuerpo espiritual. Si hay un cuerpo natural, hay también un cuerpo espiritual.”

III. How to connect to the power of the New Self:

A. Disconnect from the old immorality.

Colossians 3:5 “Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry. ⁶ For it is because of these things that the wrath of God will come upon the sons of disobedience, ⁷ and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you also, put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth.”

Colosenses 3:5 “Por tanto, considerad los miembros de vuestro cuerpo terrenal como muertos a la fornicación, la impureza, las pasiones, los malos deseos y la avaricia, que es idolatría. ⁶ Pues la ira de Dios vendrá sobre los hijos de desobediencia por causa de estas cosas, ⁷ en las cuales vosotros también anduvisteis en otro tiempo cuando vivíais en ellas. ⁸ Pero ahora desecharad también vosotros todas estas cosas: ira, enojo, malicia, maledicencia, lenguaje soez de vuestra boca.”

1. V5 - What does it mean to “consider our earthly bodies as dead”? _____

2. V5b – What areas are we to disempower from having control over our life? _____

3. V6 – Why should we not continue living in our old ways? _____

4. V7-8 What expression of the old life are we to lay aside? _____