

COLOSSIANS: Jesus Christ is our all in all! He is all we need.**Chapter 3 – The *Preeminence* of Jesus Christ is DISPLAYED. Colossians 3:5-14**

- Verse 5 **MORTIFY** therefore your members which are upon the earth;

Romans 8:13 *"For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live."*

Galatians 5:24 *"And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts."*

Fornication	The incontinence or lewdness of unmarried persons
Uncleanness	Foulness; dirtiness; filthiness; Lacking purity; moral impurity
Inordinate affection	Irregular; disorderly; excessive; not limited to boundaries prescribed
Evil concupiscence	Unlawful/irregular desire of pleasure; inclination to unlawful enjoyments
Covetousness	A strong or inordinate desire of obtaining or possessing something
Idolatry	The worship of idols or anything made by hands, or which is not God

NOTE How can these be found in someone who has repented and trusted Christ?

- Verse 6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

Romans 1:19
1 Corinthians 6:9, 10
1 Peter 2:11

NOTE People who do these things will be damned to a literal hell forever.

- Verse 7 In the which YE also walked some time, when YE lived IN THEM.

1 Corinthians 6:11

NOTE When you read that verse, what does God bring to your thoughts?

- Verse 8 But NOW YE also PUT OFF all these;

Anger	A violent passion of the mind excited by a real or supposed injury
Wrath	Violent anger; vehement exasperation; indignation; the effects of anger
Malice	Extreme ill will; extreme enmity of heart; a disposition to injure others
Blasphemy	An injury offered to God, by denying that which is due and belonging to Him, or attributing to Him that which is not agreeable to His nature.
Filthy Communication	Dirty; foul; unclean; defiled by sinful practices (seeing and hearing)

NOTE These are all things that we must PUT OFF on a daily basis and throughout the day! If they must be PUT OFF, then it stands to reason that they are ON.

- Verse 9 Lie not one to another, seeing that YE have PUT OFF the OLD MAN with his deeds;

2 Corinthians 5:17 *“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.”*

Romans 6:6

Ephesians 4:22, 23

NOTE Your old nature was crucified with Christ. You do not have to sin any more.

- Verse 10 And have PUT ON the NEW MAN, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

Romans 13: 12, 14

Ephesians 4:24

NOTE If we are saved, we are new creatures renewed after the image of Christ.

- Verse 11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew...but Christ is ALL, and IN ALL.

Galatians 6:5

Colossians 2:10

1 Corinthians 6:19

NOTE We are complete in Christ! He is all we need! And, the Spirit of Christ is IN us.

- Verse 12 PUT ON therefore, as the elect of God,

Holy	Free from sin and sinful affections; pure in heart, temper, disposition
Beloved	Loved; greatly loved; dear to the heart
Mercies	Benevolence, mildness, tenderness of heart which overlooks injuries
Kindness	Good will; delighting in doing good to others
Humbleness	Humility; low; meekness
Meekness	Softness of temper; mildness; gentleness; submissive to God's will
Longsuffering	Long endurance; patience of offense

NOTE These are all things that we must PUT ON on a daily basis and throughout the day! If they must be PUT ON, then it stands to reason that we might not!

- Verse 13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if ANY MAN have a quarrel against ANY: even AS CHRIST FORGAVE YOU, so also do YE.

Ephesians 4:32 *“And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.”*

Forbearing	Ceasing; withholding from action; exercising patience and indulgence
Forgiving	Pardoning; remitting; disposed to forgive; inclined to overlook offenses.

NOTE How can we who have been forgiven of much not forbear and forgive others??