

Colossians 3:15-17

A Portrait of the Church

- I. The peace of God reigning (v. 15)
 - A. The command (v. 15a)
 1. Let the peace of God...
 2. Rule in your hearts.
 - B. The consequence (v. 15b)
 1. Peace in the church
 2. Thanksgiving
- II. The word of Christ dwelling (v. 16)
 - A. The command (v. 16a)
 1. Let the word of Christ...
 2. Dwell in you richly.
 - B. The consequence (v. 16b)
 1. Instruction in the church
 - a. The method – “in all wisdom”
 - b. The means – “teaching and admonishing”
 - c. The mode – “psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs”
 2. Worship in the church [the ‘how’]
 - a. Singing with grace [thanksgiving]
 - b. Singing from the heart
 - c. Singing to the Lord
- III. The name of the Lord governing (v. 17)
 - A. The command (v. 17a)
 1. Whatever you do...
 2. Do it in the name of the Lord Jesus.
 - B. The consequence (v. 17b)
 1. Thanksgiving...
 2. To God through Christ.