

Raised in Christ

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

Colossians 3:1-2

Colossians 3:1-4 calls believers to live in light of their resurrection with Christ, urging a radical reorientation of heart and mind.

Seek the things that are above- not earthly pursuits, but the eternal realities where Christ reigns at God's right hand. This is not a passive suggestion, but a command rooted in identity. "If then you have been raised in Christ..." Col. 3:1. Your new life is not defined by this world but by your union with Christ, who is now seated in heavenly places.

Set your mind on things above-not on the fleeting, temporary concerns of the world. This is a daily act of spiritual discipline. As Paul writes, "set your minds on things above, not on things on the earth" Col 3:2. The mind is the battleground, when it is fixed on Christ, our desires, priorities, and actions will reflect His eternal kingdom.

You have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. This is the foundation of the Christian life: our true identity is no longer in our performance, status, or circumstances, but in Christ. Though unseen by the world, our life is secure in is Him. This truth brings peace and freedom from the pressure to prove ourselves.

When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. This future hope is not a distant dream but the driving force of the present walk. The promise of Christ's return gives urgency and purpose to every decision, every relationship, every task. Our ultimate destiny is not here, but with Him in glory.

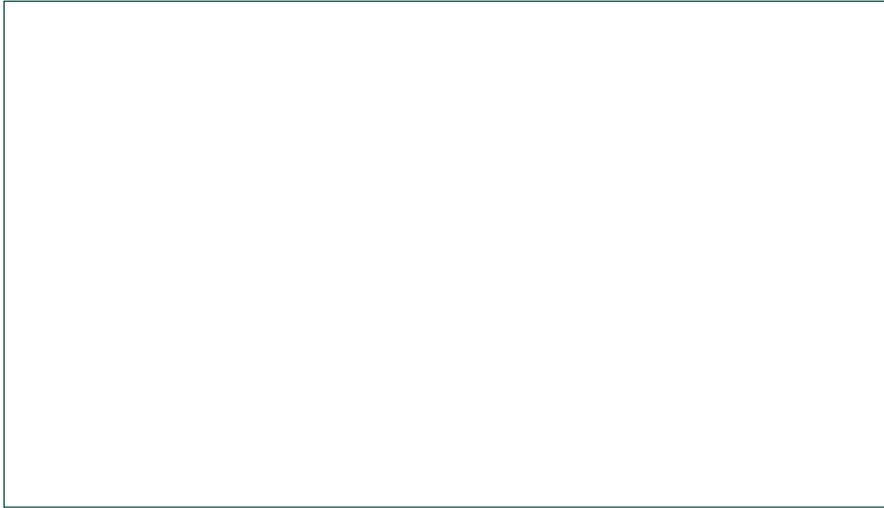
Pause and ask yourself: Where is my heart focused? Is it on the temporary, or on the eternal? You are not here by accident; you are here for His glory.

"We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake so that his life may also be revealed in our mortal body".

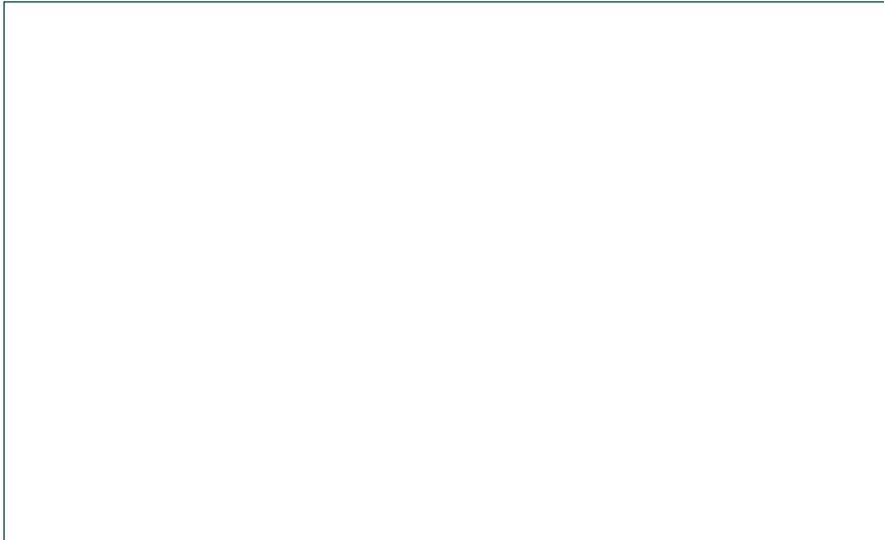
2 Corinthians 4:10-11

MESSAGE NOTES & VERSES

WHAT STEPS CAN YOU TAKE THIS WEEK TO
APPLY WHAT YOU LEARNED AS A COUPLE?



OUR PRAYERS



THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE:

"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

Galatians 2:20

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