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CHRIST OUR LIFE: IN PRIVATE Colossians 3:1-11 CSB

1. SEEK the HEART of Christ. (Vs 1)

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Colossians 3:1 (CSB)

This is the declaration of the LORD to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies your footstool."

Psalm 110:1 (CSB)

For this is the kind of high priest we need: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷He doesn't need to offer sacrifices every day, as high priests do—first for their own sins, then for those of the people. He did this once for all time when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests men who are weak, but the promise of the oath, which came after the law, appoints a Son, who has been perfected forever.

Hebrews 7:26-28 (CSB)

What, then, are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He did not even spare his own Son but gave him up for us all. How will he not also with him grant us everything? ³³Who can bring an accusation against God's elect? God is the one who justifies. ³⁴Who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is the one who died, but even more, has been raised; he also is at the right hand of God and intercedes for us.

Romans 8:31-34 (CSB)

2. <u>SET</u> your <u>MIND</u> on the things of Christ. (Vs 2)

Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

Colossians 3:2 (CSB)

3. SACRIFICE your WILL for the cause of Christ. (Vs 3-9)

For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. ⁵Therefore, put to death what belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desire, and greed, which is idolatry. ⁶Because of these, God's wrath is coming upon the disobedient, ⁷and you once walked in these things when you were living in them. ⁸But now, put away all the following: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and filthy language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old self with its practices...

Colossians 3:3-9 (CSB)

4. SURRENDER to the WILL of Christ. (Vs 10-11)

... and have put on the new self. You are being renewed in knowledge according to the image of your Creator. ¹¹In Christ there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all.

Colossians 3:10-11 (CSB)

Don't be deceived: God is not mocked. For whatever a person sows he will also reap...

Galatians 6:7 (CSB)

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say, "There is no resurrection of the dead"? ¹³If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁴and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is in vain, and so is your faith. ¹⁵Moreover, we are found to be false witnesses about God, because we have testified wrongly about God that he raised up Christ—whom he did not raise up, if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Those, then, who have fallen asleep in Christ have also perished. ¹⁹If we have put our hope in Christ for this life only, we should be pitied more than anyone. ²⁰But as it is, Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead also comes through a man. ²²For just as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:12-22 (CSB)