



Colossians

"Changed" Results

3:15-19

REVIEW

- **Christ in you**, the hope of Glory (1:27)
- Holy; Chosen; Beloved
- Put on the New Self... already bought/provided
- **Dress for Success** : Compassion; Kindness; Humility; Gentleness; Patience; Bearing with; Forgiving - Cloak of Love
- When we are covered in this way:
 - We do not hurt others...
 - We are not easily hurt by others
 - We Minister from His Heart, to people's need...

INNER TRAPPINGS

- With these changes, things change inside us
 - Obedience precedes promised blessings
 - Each of these must be embraced *daily*
- 1. The Peace Ruled Heart - *brabeuo* - umpire
 - Not just peace, but the peace of God, Jn 14:27; 16:33; Is 26:3
 - NOTE: reason for peace is the One Body family
 - We will need peace to live with and minister to
 - It is a Spirit mind set and blessing (Ro 8:6)
- And be thankful...*eucharistos* – *continuous*
 - A result of our peace and life in Christ

INNER TRAPPINGS

2. The Word Dwelt Heart, *enoikeo*, make a home

- Word of Christ (Messiah/King) Paul's emphasis
- What does it mean to let His word richly live in us?
- Dt 6:6, 11:18; Ps 119:11; Jn 15:7
- Read; Study; Meditate; Memorize; and APPLY
- Purpose: teach (*didasko*) & admonish (*noutheteo*)
- When the word is in you, it will be able to flow out
- psalms, hymns, spiritual songs, singing...
- Attitude of worship and praise of God in all things
- Do it with grace (*charis*) in your hearts

INNER TRAPPINGS

3. The God serving Heart

- Whatever we do...??? Everything???
- How would this change your day??? Service???
- It is your choice to do something with Him in mind
- Words and deeds – 2Co 5:9
- In the Name of the Lord Jesus... representing Him
- Give thanks – 3x – (*eucharisteo*)
 - An attitude of thankfulness is key (Ro 1:21)
- These attitudes will challenge our every word and action – all for Him, all in Him, All Him!!!

THE CHANGING FAMILY

- When we put on and live in these promises:
 - Family must be the FIRST to benefit
 - Family was created first (Gen 2)
 - Family needs/deserves the best of our lives
 - This is critical to any generation – attacks!!!
 - Faithfulness vs. sensual self-centered lifestyles
 - How will the next generation know if we fail here?
 - If the Family falls, so does the church!
- The picture created here must be looked at in relation to the fullness of His promises/plan.

WIVES FIRST

- This is specific to married, not all, women...
 - Submit yourselves to your husband, not all men
 - *hupotasso* – subdue, a military word, flowing of rank or the honor given by a citizen to the state.
 - NOTE: this is only possible after the putting on of the new self and all that goes with it!
- What it does not mean:
 - Allowing tyrannical, beastly, high-handed, oppression leading to inferiority or slavery
 - Following blindly anything that is asked
- This is submission to God first, than spouse

SO WHAT DOES IT SAY/MEAN?

- Order, cooperation, partnership, team-work,
- This is fitting (*aneko*) (Impefect. Act. Ind.)
 - This is the right thing to do, not because the spouse is superior, but because we all surrender ourselves to the Lord and serve in love!
 - 1Co7:10; Ep5:22; 1Ti 3:11; Ti 2:4; 1Pt 3:1
- This tells us the key to good marriages
 - Doing it God's way
 - Allowing Christ to be all and in all first
 - Looking for the mutual support – spouse/Lord

NOW THE HUSBANDS

- LOVE! *Agape* (pres. act. imperative)
 - Does He love??? Selfless, unselfish, sacrificial, with willingness and affection, seeking highest good and blessing for the wife... uh....
 - Love your wives! Not your stuff!!!
- Beware of bitterness! (pres. pass. imp)
 - *pikraino* (Re 8:11; 10:9,10 only)
 - Don't get into this habit; stop having the habit
 - Failing to rely on the Lord can lead to this
 - Ep 5:25; 1Pt 3:7; Pr 5:18; Gen 2:24

CHILDREN AND PARENTS

- Children are to obey parents:
 - In everyday, normal instructions for life
 - Again, this is not dictatorial authoritarianism
 - Obey *hupakouo*, listen to/for, as a porter for a door
 - “in all things” is a toughy...
 - It is not the usual obedience that is dangerous, but the sudden acts of rebellion and stubbornness
 - How much better would this world be...
- Well pleasing to the Lord *euarestos* Ro 12:1,2
 - This is our constant goal in our lives, learn it young
 - Ep 6:1; Pr 1:8; 6:20; 7:1; 10:1; 20:11; 23:22

EASY DAD...

- Another warning, especially to dad's who did most of the guidance in Jesus day
 - Know the difference and the timing
 - *erethizo* - to stir up, excite, stimulate [2Co 9:2]
 - Nagging as a habit pres. act. Imp
- *athumeo* – no heart, lose heart, dispirited
 - They will get enough of this in the world
 - They need to know the careful hand of love
 - Encouraging, gently guiding till they are of age