

The Resurrection Changes Everything

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Colossians 3:1-4 “Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. 3 For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is your[a] life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.”

Message bible 3:1-4 “So if you’re serious about living this new resurrection life with Christ, act like it. Pursue the things over which Christ presides. Don’t shuffle along, eyes to the ground, absorbed with the things right in front of you. Look up, and be alert to what is going on around Christ—that’s where the action is. See things from his perspective. Your old life is dead. Your new life, which is your real life—even though invisible to spectators—is with Christ in God. He is your life. When Christ (your real life, remember) shows up again on this earth, you’ll show up, too—the real you, the glorious you. Meanwhile, be content with obscurity, like Christ.

1. A NEW DIRECTION: “SET YOUR HEARTS ON THINGS ABOVE”

- Key Thought: What captures your heart determines the direction of your life.

2. A NEW MINDSET: “SET YOUR MINDS ON THINGS ABOVE”

- Key Thought: You cannot live a resurrected life with an unrenewed mind.

3. A NEW IDENTITY: “YOUR LIFE IS NOW HIDDEN WITH CHRIST”

- Key Thought: You are not who you were—you are who Christ says you are.

4. A FUTURE HOPE: “CHRIST...WILL APPEAR...YOU ALSO WILL APPEAR WITH HIM IN GLORY”

- Key Thought: What is coming is greater than what we are going through.

Action Points Challenges for the Week

1. THE “ABOVE” CHALLENGE

Each day, pause and evaluate:

- Am I focused on earthly distractions or eternal priorities?

2. THE THOUGHT AUDIT CHALLENGE

For one week, track your thoughts:

- Are they aligned with Christ?
- Replace at least one negative thought daily with Scripture.

3. THE IDENTITY CHALLENGE

Write down 3 truths about who you are in Christ and declare them every morning.

4. THE VISIBILITY CHALLENGE

Even though your life is “hidden with Christ,” let your faith be visible:

- Do one intentional act that reflects Jesus to someone else.

5. THE HOPE CHALLENGE

When facing stress or frustration, say:

- “This is not the end of my story—glory is coming.”

FINAL QUESTION:

If someone observed your life this week, would they see evidence that you’ve been raised with Christ?

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