



Colossians Devotional Series

Week 3- Colossians 3

DAY 1 — Eyes Up: Seeking the Things Above

Colossians Section: 3:1–4

Devotional

Paul begins with a massive **IF** — *IF you have been raised with Christ*. Meaning: resurrection life requires crucified life. You cannot expect to walk in glory if you refuse to die to the world. Your eyes determine your direction. When your gaze is fixed on earthly things, you drift toward earthly living. But when your eyes are fixed on Christ, your life follows Him upward.

You don't overcome sin by staring at sin. You overcome by staring at Christ. He plucks your feet out of the net — not you. Set your mind on Him, and the "do's" of righteousness will naturally crowd out the "don'ts" of sin.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 3:1–2 slowly.
2. Read it again and spotlight one word. *Write it here:* _____
3. Ask: What does this reveal about where my attention actually lives?
Reflect here: _____

4. Connect it to Psalm 25:15. *Write your connection here:* _____

5. Sit quietly and ask the Holy Spirit to show you where your gaze has drifted. *Reflect here:* _____

6. Explore setting your mind above. What does that mean in your life? _____

Personal Inventory

Where have your eyes been fixed on earthly things — comfort, status, fear, entertainment, comparison? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask the Lord to lift your eyes to Christ and break your fixation on earthly distractions.

Call to Action

Choose one earthly distraction today and intentionally replace it with Scripture or prayer. Write it out to keep you accountable! _____

DAY 2 — Kill What Kills You: Putting Sin to Death

Colossians Section: 3:5–11

Devotional

If your eyes are set on glory, Paul says there's only one response: **kill sin**. Not manage it. Not negotiate with it. Kill it. Sexual immorality, impurity, lust, greed — these inward sins destroy you from the inside out. And outward sins like anger, malice, slander, and lying destroy the unity of the body.

You once walked in these things, but now you are called to put them to death. Don't go digging around in the grave trying to resurrect what Christ already killed. Fear the Lord enough to walk away from what brings His wrath — and love Him enough to walk toward what brings His pleasure.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 3:5–8 slowly.
2. Spotlight one word. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to Romans 6:12–13.

Write your connections here: _____

4. Ask: What sin still tries to reign in me? *Reflect here:* _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to expose anything you've allowed to live. What did the Holy Spirit show you? _____

5. Explore putting sin to death. What does that look like for you in your own life? _____

Personal Inventory

What sin have you tolerated, excused, or minimized? What have you tried to “manage” instead of kill? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God for holy fear, holy hatred of sin, and holy strength to kill what kills you.

Call to Action

Confess one sin to the Lord today and take a concrete step to remove its access point.

Write your sin here: _____

What step will you take to remove it today? _____

DAY 3 — Renewed in Knowledge: Becoming Like Christ

Colossians Section: 3:10–11

Devotional

Paul says we are renewed **in knowledge** of our Creator. The more you know God, the more you become like Him. Eternal life *is* knowing Him. Unity in the body grows when believers grow in Christlikeness — and Christlikeness grows when believers grow in knowing Christ.

You cannot walk in newness of life without renewing your mind. You cannot become like Jesus without beholding Jesus. Knowledge of God is not academic — it is transformational.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 3:10 slowly.
2. Spotlight one phrase. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to John 17:3. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: Where has my knowledge of God grown stale? *Reflect here:* _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to stir hunger for deeper knowing. How do you feel Him stirring you? _____

5. Explore knowing God deeply. What does that look like in your own life? _____

Personal Inventory

Where have you settled for shallow knowledge of God? Where have you stopped pursuing Him? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God to renew your mind and deepen your knowledge of Him.

Call to Action

Read one passage about Jesus today and write down what it reveals about His character.

Write your passage here: _____

What did it reveal to you about His character? _____

DAY 4 — Put On Christ: Clothing Yourself in Righteousness

Colossians Section: 3:12–14

Devotional

Paul describes a spiritual closet — compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, forgiveness, love. These don't appear naturally. You must **put them on**. Just like choosing clothes, you choose Christlike characters intentionally.

Before the fall, humanity was clothed in righteousness. In Christ, you are restored to that purity. But you must actively dress yourself in it daily. When you know Christ's forgiveness, you forgive. When you know His greatness, humility grows. When you know His love, you love.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 3:12–14 slowly.
2. Spotlight one word. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to Ephesians 4:24.
Write your connections here: _____

4. Ask: Which Christlike garment have I refused to put on? *Reflect here:* _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to clothe you in righteousness.

5. Explore putting on the new self. What does that look like? _____

Personal Inventory

Which of these qualities do you resist — compassion, humility, patience, forgiveness, love?

Prayer Focus

Ask God to clothe you in the character of Christ.

Call to Action

Choose one “garment” today and intentionally practice it with someone.

Your garment today is: _____

And how will you intentionally practice it today? _____

DAY 5 — Peace Rules Here: Letting Christ Govern Your Heart

Colossians Section: 3:15–17

Devotional

Paul says the peace of Christ should **rule** your heart — govern it like an Olympic judge keeping everything in order. Peace thrives in a grateful soul. Ungratefulness breeds agitation, division, and fault-finding. Gratitude builds unity and steadiness.

Letting the Word dwell richly in you establishes peace. Where the Word rules, Christ dwells. Worship, teaching, singing, and gratitude create a community where peace grows and Christ reigns.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 3:15–17 slowly.
2. Spotlight one word or phrase. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to Philippians 4:7. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: What has been ruling my heart instead of peace? *Reflect here:* _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to restore gratitude and peace.

5. Explore the peace of Christ. What does applying that to your life look like?

Personal Inventory

Where has ingratitude, agitation, or fault-finding taken over your heart? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God to let His peace govern your thoughts, emotions, and relationships.

Call to Action

Speak gratitude out loud today — thank God for three specific people or blessings.

Write them here: 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

DAY 6 — Order in the Home: Living Under Christ's Design

Colossians Section: 3:18–21

Devotional

Paul lays out God's order for the family — wives submitting to husbands, husbands submitting to Christ, children honoring parents, fathers disciplining without provoking. This isn't tyranny; it's Christlike love. Submission works when Christ is the center.

Children raised under harsh judgment often grow up believing God only loves them when they perform well. But Scripture says His **kindness** leads to repentance. God's design for the home reflects His heart — love, honor, discipline, and grace.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 3:18–21 slowly.
2. Spotlight one word or phrase. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to Ephesians 6:1–4. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: Where has my home resisted Christ's order? *Reflect here:* _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to realign your relationships.

5. Explore biblical family order. Where can you realign to that in your own home?

Personal Inventory

Where have you resisted love, honor, submission, or gentle leadership? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God to bring Christlike order, healing, and unity into your home.

Call to Action

Take one step today to show honor, love, or gentle leadership in your family.

What step will you take? _____
How will you implement it? _____

DAY 7 — Work for the Lord: Integrity in Every Task

Colossians Section: 3:22–25

Devotional

Paul says whatever you do, **work heartily as for the Lord**. Not eye-service. Not people-pleasing. You spend roughly 2,000 hours a year at work — that’s 2,000 hours of witness. Laziness, shortcuts, and complaining lead people away from Christ. Integrity, diligence, and joy lead people toward Him.

Your work is worship. Your workplace is a mission field. Your effort is a testimony. Serve your earthly boss like you serve Christ — and your reward will come from Him.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 3:22–25 slowly.
2. Spotlight one phrase. Write it here: _____
3. Connect it to Proverbs 16:3. Write your connection here: _____

4. Ask: What part of my work life has lacked integrity or devotion? Reflect here: _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to reshape your work as worship.

5. Explore working for the Lord. What does that look like when applying it to your life?

Personal Inventory

Where have you worked for approval instead of Christ? Where have you lacked integrity?

Prayer Focus

Ask God to transform your work ethic into worship and witness.

Call to Action

Choose one task today and intentionally do it “heartily as for the Lord.”

What task did you choose? _____

How will you intentionally do it for the Lord? _____
