

LEARN IT! FIT IT! LIVE IT! DON'T FORGET IT!

Keeping the One Main the Main Thing Colossians 3:1-4

Romans 15:4, "For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us. The Scriptures gives us strength to go on. They cheer us up and give us hope." (NIRV)
Learn it! The Word of God is how God has chosen to communicate to us His people. To know what God wants us to do in life, we must first read and study His Word.

1. We are continuing our sermon series in the book of Colossians *Keeping the Main One (Jesus) the Main Thing*. The main focus of the book of Colossians is Jesus Christ our Lord and His rule and reign over all creation. With His death, burial, and resurrection, He secured our citizenship as sons and daughters fulfilling the commitment of the Covenant of Grace. We are reunited in Him to our Father. In Christ, we are complete, securing our fellowship with God and also fulfilling all of our needs for life and godliness. We can and will find complete satisfaction if we live for Him alone.
2. **Sunday Sermon Notes/Colossians 3:1-4/ Your Position in Christ**
 - Main Idea for the next 3 weeks (3:1-17): Your **position** in Christ determines your **priorities**, shapes your **perspective**, and empowers your **practice**.
 - A Resurrected _____ vs. 1a, 3-4
 - Raised with Christ
 - Died with Christ
 - Hidden with Christ
 - Appear in glory with Christ
 - An Eternal _____ vs. 1b
 - Symptoms of misplaced priorities
 - Examples of what "things above" refer to
 - A Heavenly _____ vs. 2
 - Takeaway Question: How can we have a heavenly perspective (view) so our minds seek the things above (things of God)?

08.09.20 Service Songs

Opening Songs: *Open up the Heavens* by Meredith Andrews, *Holy (No One Like You)* by Tim Lukasiewicz and Joe Paulson, *Before the Throne of God Above* by Shane and Shane, *All I Have is Christ* by Jordan Kauflin

Praise to the Lord the Almighty - This song, which many people consider a contemporary hymn is full of rich theology and true submission to Jesus. Reminding the singer that their true need is Christ.

Faith Begins with Humility- Before being led to the Gospel we have an utter inability to lead ourselves. We are lost and unable to find the way. Yet in our rebellion it is the love of Christ that draws us home.

Faith Finds Home at the Cross- Though our "hell-bound race" deserves nothing but the wrath of God, because of the Jesus love and his work at the cross, we receive nothing but "grace". Ponder for a moment the contrast in these rhyming lyrics... Our faith finds home in the change from hell to grace purchased at the Cross.

The Strength of Faith is Christ Alone- Since we have no ability on our own to find faith, then we certainly have no ability on our own to keep it. In the final verse of this song, we are reminded that the strength of our faith is found in Christ and Christ alone. Truly, All we have is Christ.

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3. **Weekly Family Devotions:** Review Learn it! Fit it! Live it! Don't Forget it! sections with your family, rehearsing the truth of God's Word from Sunday morning into your daily lives. These sections help us to learn the truth in God's Word, apply it to our hearts, live it out in our daily lives, and then remember that God is our great, ever-promise keeping God.
 - a. Read Colossians 3:1-4 as a family. Read it again in the NIRV, see biblegateway.com.
 - b. Main Theme: Jesus is Everything.
 - 1) See Colossians 3:1. If you are believer, Who is your life attached to? Because of that attachment, what should you set your mind on?
 - 2) See Colossians 3:2-4. Because you are identified with Christ, what great blessings do you receive?

Fit it! The Word of God is living and active in your life today. God's Word is for your life too.

Bible Study Questions:

1. Key: God's Word causes a response in the hearts and lives of those that put their trust in Jesus.
2. Key Questions from each lesson:
 - a. What does this lesson teach me about God?
 - b. What does this lesson teach me about myself?
 - c. What does this lesson teach me about the gospel? Am I seeking to share this good news with others?

- d. How are you and your family changed by knowing that your whole position in life is changed if you are a believer- you are now “in Christ”, seen by God in Christ’s perfection? How does that truth lead you all to worship?

Live it! How will you live life differently through the Bible verses that we read today?

1. Spend time praying about what you learned from God’s Word this week.
2. Pray for your family prayer requests and praises.
3. Continue to write down your family’s “I SPY GOD” moments. In this passage, think about the 3 ways that you as a family can seek the things of God over the things of this world.

Don’t forget it! Take a moment as a family to pray and remember that Jesus is everything.

- Main Idea for the next 3 weeks (3:1-17)/ See above for answer under Sunday Sermon Notes
 - Your _____ in Christ
 - Determines your _____
 - Shapes your _____
 - And empowers your _____

BIBLE VERSES/ I CORINTHIANS 13:1: If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

BIG IDEA QUESTIONS (new units in bold):

- Who is God? God is our Creator and King
- What is worship? Worship is celebrating the greatness of God.
- What does it mean to sin? To sin is to go against God and His commands.
- How can we glorify God? We can glorify God by loving Him.
- What is repentance? Repentance is turning away from sin and turning to Jesus.
- Is anything or anyone greater than God? No, God is greater than everything and everyone.
- How is Jesus the perfect King? Jesus perfectly rules over the universe as King of Kings.
- What does God know? God knows everything about the past, present, and future.
- Why should we obey God? We should obey God because He made us, He loves us, and His plans are good.
- How did God plan to fix what sin broke? Before He created the world, God planned to send the Messiah to save sinners.
- Who is in control of everything? God is in control of everything in Heaven and on earth.
- **Is Jesus God or human? As the Son of God, Jesus is both fully God and fully human.**
- **Why did Jesus become human? Jesus became human to obey His Father’s plan and rescue sinners.**
- **What makes people special? People are special because we are made in God’s image, as male and female, to know Him.**

SONGS FOR MONTH OF AUGUST: [God so Loved](#) by We the Kingdom
