

LORDSHIP OF CHRIST

Introduction: Jesus Christ has ascended to Heaven and was seated on the right hand of God His Father (Col. 3:1). This is a place of honor and authority. In fact, seated in this place, He has all authority in Heaven and in earth (Mt. 28:18). Everyone and everything that has been created is subject to Him. No one is exempt. Unbelievers have to accept His authority, even though they do it unwillingly. Believers have already accepted it when they received Him as their Savior. Since believers have willingly accepted Jesus Christ's authority over them, they need to know how to live their lives so as to please Him.

Lesson Aim: Teach believers how to walk worthy of the Lord so as to please Him in all things.

Memory Verse: "That you might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God" (Col. 1:10).

Outline of the Lesson and Questions to Answer:**I. Condition of Believers — 3:1-4**

1. What are believers to seek? 3:1
2. Where should believers set their affections (mind)? 3:2
3. Since the old nature of believers died when they were saved, how do they have life? 3:3
4. What will happen when Christ appears? 3:4

II. Cleansing of Believers — 3:5-9

5. What are believers to mortify (put to death)? 3:5
6. What else are believers to put off? 3:8-9

III. Conduct of Believers — 3:10-4:6

7. What are believers to put on? 3:10-14
8. What should rule the hearts of believers regarding the things they do? 3:15
9. What should dwell richly in believers? 3:16
10. Compare Ephesians 5:18-21 with Colossians 3:16-17.
What difference did you find?
What likenesses did you find?
11. How should a wife treat her husband? 3:18
12. How should a husband treat his wife? 3:19
13. How should children treat their parents? 3:20
14. How should fathers treat their children? 3:21
15. How should servants (employees) treat their masters (employers)?
 - a. Regarding service? 3:22
 - b. Regarding enthusiasm? 3:23-24
 - c. Regarding wrong doing? 3:25
16. How should masters (employers) treat their servants (employees)? 4:1

17. Name four things you should learn about prayer? 4:2-4

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

18. Who are those that called, "them that are without?" 4:5

19. What does it mean to "redeem the time" in the context of 4:5?

20. What does it mean to have your speech "seasoned with salt?" 4:6