

COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

1:1-2 The Supremacy of Christ in Preparation	1:3 - 2:5 The Supremacy of Christ in Principle	2:6 - 4:6 The Supremacy of Christ in Practice	4:7-18 The Supremacy of Christ in Pattern
1:1 Sender: An Apostle and Brother Appointed by Christ 1:2a Recipient: A Holy and Faithful Family Forged in Christ 1:2b Salutation: A Request for Grace and Peace from the Father of Christ	1:3-8 What Matters: The Gospel of Jesus Christ 1:9-23 Why It Matters: The Supremacy of Jesus Christ 1:24 - 2:5 How We Know It Matters: The Minister of Jesus Christ	2:6-15 (A) Put on the Doctrine of Christ 2:16-23 (B) Put off the Doctrine of the World 3:1-4 (C) Pursue Christ, not the World 3:5-11 (B') Put off the Deeds of the World 3:12 - 4:6 (A') Put on the Deeds of Christ	4:7-9 Ambassadors for Christ 4:10-14 Sufferers for Christ 4:15-17 Neighbors for Christ 4:18 Paul for Christ

Union with Christ

(3:1-4)

Three reasons Union with Christ is important...

1. Union with Christ is what holds salvation together.

2. Union with Christ is what holds this book together.

3. Union with Christ is what holds this practical section together.

The Supremacy of Christ in Practice

(2:6 - 4:6)

Passage	Conjunction	Command	Topic	Focus
2:6-15	"Therefore"	"Walk in Him"	Doctrine	Positive
2:16-23	"Therefore"	"Let no one pass judgment on you"	Doctrine	Negative
3:1-4	"Therefore"	"Seek the things above"	Pursuit	Positive & Negative
3:5-11	"Therefore"	"Put to death"	Practice	Negative
3:12 - 4:6	"Therefore"	"Put on compassionate hearts"	Practice	Positive

Pursue Christ, not the World

(3:1-4)



Two life-altering changes your Union with Christ makes for you...

1. Your Union with Christ Determines Your <u>Ambition</u> (3:1)

2. Your Union with Christ Determines Your Mentality (3:2-4)

Take Home

Takeaway

Identify one hobby or one way you spend your free time and think through how you can repurpose it for Christ.

Next week's Passage

Colossians 3:5–11

Study Question

In Colossians 3:11, what does "Christ is all and in all" mean? What is the significance of its meaning for the whole message of the book?