

Journey Church Hawaii
"A Citizen of Heaven on Earth"
Colossians 3:1-17
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The False Promise of Discipleship [Hull & Cook] free ebook
<https://exponential.org/resource-ebooks/falsepromise/>

- I. Heart and Mind, SET¹ [Colossians 3:1-4]
 - A. Heart: our affections. Think with affectionate gratitude of what the Lord Jesus has already done for you and what He is to you now.
 - B. Mind: our wills, our choices. Decide to do what you know from your knowledge of the Word of the Lord what He wants you to do. I BELONG to Jesus!
 - C. Our Hidden Resource: "Christ in You, the Hope of Glory!" [Colossians 1:27]

- II. "Put OFF": Learn to Reject the Characteristics of the Old Life, the Sins of ... [Colossians 3:5-11]
 - A. Sensual Self-Indulgence [3:5]
 1. Sexual immorality: sex outside of marriage
 2. Impurity: perverted forms of sex
 3. Lust: erotic passions aroused by visual stimuli
 4. Evil desires: mental uncleanness; thought life
 5. Greed/idolatry: another person becomes so dominant in your thought-life that he/she takes the place of God

 - B. Attitude [3:8-9]
 1. Anger: impetuous name-calling or calculated insult
 2. Rage: temper tantrums that lead to a violent display [words or actions]
 3. Malice: silent, hidden hatred of the heart that takes revenge in secret
 4. Slander: attack of another person's character
 5. Filthy language: foul talk
 6. Lying: untruth that breeds suspicion and destroys trust

 - C. Prejudice of the Mind [3:11]: no longer do we excuse conduct on the basis of class, ethnicity, family history, or past hurts and fears

 - D. Cause & Effect of Free Will [3:6; Romans 1:18-32]
 1. God takes away the restraints upon evil and all of society is widely affected
 2. reverting to a lifestyle which no longer reflects their true identity; we must stop now because we can stop! [Romans 6:14; 2 Timothy 1:7]

¹ Stedman, R True Human Potential <https://www.raystedman.org/new-testament/colossians/true-human-potential>

III. “Put ON”²: “What do you wear when you wake up?” [Colossians 3:12-17]

- A. The Fruit of the Spirit [Galatians 5:22-23] abridged from Colossians 3:12-14
 - 1. Compassion: a heart of empathy
 - 2. Kindness: action that reveals compassion
 - 3. Humility: heart of Christ as we respect/regard others. Pride is the exact opposite
 - 4. Gentleness: meekness; strength under control. Jesus self-describes [Matthew 11:29]
 - 5. Patience: the enduring of another’s conduct without flying into a rage
 - 6. Bear with each other: to uphold and support someone

- B. Forgiveness [Micah 7:19] Learn to 4Give by Gil Mertz [series begins March 10th]
 - 1. What you did was wrong
 - 2. You deserve to be punished
 - 3. I will not punish you; I forgive you

- C. All Wrapped in Love [1 Corinthians 13:4-8a]

- D. Let the Peace of God RULE in your hearts [Isaiah 26:3; John 14:27; Philippians 4:7]

- E. DO it all In the Name of our Lord Jesus [Hebrews 10:19-25]

- F. “God, how can You be this Good?” [3:12]

² Stedman, R Put on the New <https://www.raystedman.org/new-testament/colossians/put-on-the-new>