

Seek Jesus

Part of Sermon Discussion Guides

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Colossians 3:1-2

Discussion Questions

- God doesn't save us and make us new because we obey him. We obey because we've already been saved and made new. Why is it important to get this order right? What happens when we get it wrong?
- To be a Christian is to have "died" (2:20) and "been raised" (3:1) with Jesus. Do you consider your conversion to be a miracle like Jesus' resurrection? What difference does it make to know that the same power at work in raising Jesus from the dead was at work in you becoming a Christian? (See also Ephesians 1:16-21)
- Read Colossians 3:5-17. What in this passage do you have a hard time living up to? How do the truths of 3:1-4 motivate and make possible the lifestyle described in 3:5-17?

Questions for Preschool

- **Q: Who died on the cross for our sins and rose again from the grave?**
A: Jesus
- **Q: Read Colossians 3:1-2 to your child. Where is Jesus now?**
A: He is seated at the right hand of God the Father.
- **Q: Why is it good news that Jesus rose from the grave and is seated with God?**
A: When we believe in Jesus, we have a friend in Jesus! When we pray, He hears our prayers, and sends His Holy Spirit to help us.

He promises to never leave us.

Questions for Elementary

- **Q: What does it mean to be raised with Christ?**

A: Just like Christ rose again from the dead, we have been raised from the spiritual death brought about by our sin. When we trust in Jesus for our salvation, He transforms our lives from spiritual death into eternal life.

- **Q: Have you been raised with Christ? If so, what are you to “set your mind on”?**

A: Allow kids to answer openly. For the believers in your household, talk about what it means to set your minds on things above. We set our minds on things above by pursuing a closer relationship with Jesus, obeying God, and serving others.

- **Q: As those who have been raised with Christ, why should we “set our minds on the things that are above, not on things that are on earth”?**

A: Being raised with Christ symbolizes the new life we have in Christ. As a Christian, we live our lives most fully by thinking about God and the things that have an eternal impact, and letting those things direct our lives. When we truly “set our minds on the things above”, God is most glorified by our lives.

Questions for Teens

- God doesn't want servants who earn his love, he wants children who receive his love. Why is important that we understand this is the heart of God towards us?
- Why is the goal of a Christian to become more like Jesus? What motivates you to pursue this goal?
- We become more like Jesus as he becomes our greatest love. The more we grow in Christ the more we see that he is worthy to be our greatest love. Has there been a specific moment in your life where you came to see Jesus as worthy of giving your entire life to?