

Aligning my life with my new identity

Colossians 3:1-4

- I. Since we are “alive with Christ” we must prioritize what matters to Christ (Colossians 3:1).
 - A. We are spiritually alive by faith in Christ (1a).
 - B. Therefore, we must pursue what has value to Christ who rules in heaven (1b).

- II. Since we “died with Christ” to our old life, we must focus on what is eternal (Colossians 3:2-3).
 - A. We must retrain our minds to focus on what matters in heaven, not on earth (2).
 - B. Our past identity in earthly things died with Christ when we believed in Christ (3a).
 - C. Our life is now merged with Christ and with God the Father (3b).

- III. When Christ returns we will fulfill our glorious identity with him forever (Colossians 3:4).
 - A. Our identity in Christ defines our purpose in life (4a).
 - B. When Christ returns we will see the glory of eternal things because we are united with him forever (4b).