





a study of **Colossians**



Our society is not a community radiant with the love of Christ, but a dangerous network of domination and manipulation in which we can easily get entangled and lose our soul. The basic question is whether we ministers of Jesus Christ have not already been so deeply molded by the seductive powers of the dark world that we have become blind to our own and other people's fatal state and have lost our power and motivation to swim for our lives. (Henri Nouwen)



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freedom to live a
different kind of life.**

A close-up photograph of a person's feet wearing sneakers on a paved surface. The person is wearing blue jeans and black sneakers with white laces. The pavement has white painted text that is partially visible, including the words "STOP" and "WALK". The background shows a chain-link fence and a building.

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. (Col. 3:1-4, ESV)


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Freedom in Christ


1. In the Way we Think.

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Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. (Col. 3:5-7, ESV)

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Sin arises when things that are a minor good are pursued as though they were goals in life...And that sin is magnified when, for these lesser goals, we fail to pursue the highest good and the finest goals. So then we ask ourselves why, in a given situation, we commit a sin, the answer is usually one of two things. Either we wanted to obtain something we didn't have, or we feared losing something we had. (Augustine of Hippo)

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But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

(Col. 3:8-10, ESV)

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Freedom in Christ

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3. In the Way we Talk.

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