

Keep a Heavenly Focus

Colossians 3:1-4

Colossians Book Chart

	Exaltation of Jesus Christ and the believer's connection to Him			Application of Jesus Christ to the life of a believer			
Greeting 1:1-2	Doctrine 1:3-23	Concern 1:24-2:7	Warning 2:8-23	Exhortation 3:1-17	Instruction 3:18-4:1	Reminders 4:2-6	Salutations 4:7-18
Chapter 1-2				Chapter 3-4			
Theme: Jesus is Enough							

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A. Because you are raised with Christ (3:1-2)

- The condition: “If then you have been raised with Christ,”
 - CHRIST FACT #1: He was raised from the dead.
 - BELIEVER FACT #1: You have been united with Christ’s resurrection-life.
 - *When did this happen?*
- The 1st command: “seek those things which are above”
- The 1st reason: “where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.”
 - CHRIST FACT #2: Christ is sitting at the Father’s right hand in heaven right now.
- The 2nd command: “set your mind on things above”
 - The contrast: “not on things on the earth”

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B. Because you died with Christ. (3:3)

- The 2nd reason: “For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.”
 - BELIEVER FACT #2: Your identity is already in heaven with Christ.

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C. Because you will appear with Christ. (3:4)

- The 3rd reason: “When Christ, who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.”
 - CHRIST FACT #3: He is coming back a second time.
 - BELIEVER FACT #3: You will be with Him at His second coming.
 - *When will this take place?*

* *What can get in the way of a heavenly focus?*