Colossians 3

1 If, then, you have been raised together with Christ, seek the things above, where Christ is seated at (in) the right hand of God.

2 Mind (perspective) the things above, not the things upon the earth;

3 For you died and your life has been hidden with Christ in God.

4 When Christ, your life, may be made apparent then you with Him will also be made apparent in glory.

5 Therefore, put to death (mortify) the members (limbs of the body) which are upon the earth, fornication, uncleanness (admixed impurity), depraved passions (befalling passions, pathos-strong feelings unguided by God), malicious (kaken-bad, rotten) desire (strong passionate urge, upon outbursts of passion) and covetous advantage (greedy desire to have more), which is idolatry;

6 Because of which things is coming the wrath (settled/swelling opposition/anger) of God upon the sons of willful unbelief,

7 In whom you once also walked when you were living in these things.

8 However now, put away from (put off, lay aside) you also all these things: swelling anger (wrath, impulsive opposition, settled anger), rage (outburst of passion, rush along, get heated up), malice (kakian-rotten bad), slander (blasphemian, slow to fame, slow to call good what really is good and bad what really is bad, speech injurious to anothers reputation), shameful speech (abusive/foul/improper/base/disgraceful words) from out of your mouth.

9 Do not lie unto one another, having put away from you the old man with his functions (greek-praxesin like practices- sustained activity/responsibility, latin- actibus-actions),

10 And having put in (put on) the new, who is being renewed (made new) unto knowledge, according to the image of the One having created him;

11 Where there is no Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian (wildest of barbarians in the Scythia area-today is modern Russia), bond-slave, free; but rather Christ is all and in all.

12 Put on (put in), therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, viscerals (inward parts, gut-level, internal organs, latin-viscera) of compassion (sympathy, pity), useful kindness, humble-mindedness (lowly midriff/diaphragm that regulates), meekness (gentle strength, mildness), long-temperance (long to passion, patience, latin-patientiam);

13 Holding up one another and extending grace (freely given favor that pardons) to one another. If anyone should have a complaint (blame, fault) toward another; just as also the Lord has extended grace to you, so also do you.

14 And upon all these, love, which is the uniting bond of perfection (consummation, completeness).

15 And let the peace of Christ arbitrate (umpire, decide as an umpire) in your hearts unto which also you were called in one body. And be thankful.

16 Let the word of Christ indwell (inhabit, house within) in you abundantly (polys at root- much in quantity, latin-abundanter) in all wisdom teaching and admonishing each other in psalms (Scripture set to music- sung and accompanied by a plucked instrument), hymns (songs that praise/honor/thank/celebrate a hero/conqueror), spiritual songs (odes- spontaneous, impromptu (unhearsed) melodies of praise sung to God and not merely about God), singing in grace in your hearts to God.

17 And all which you might do in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

18 Wives, be arranged under (ranked/placed/subject under, submit to the control/admonition/advice of, latin-subditae-submit, latin word looks like subdue) your husbands, as is fitting (proper, becoming) in the Lord.

19 Husbands, love your wives, and do not grow bitterly harsh (sharp, bitter, irritate, acrid, piercing, pungent “a prick”) toward them.

20 Children, hearken (listen, obey/comply what is heard, to under hear) to your parents (begetters) according to all things; for this is well-pleasing in the Lord.

21 Fathers, do not provoke (stir up, irritate, incite, stimulate, at root- strife, make ready to quarrel, latin-provocare-challenge the latin adds indignationem which the greek does not) your children so that they may not become dismayed (despondent, disheartened, passionless, broken, literally no expressed passion).

22 Bond-slaves, hearken (listen, obey what is heard, to under hear) to masters (lords) according to all things according to the flesh, not in eye-services, as men-pleasers, but rather in simplicity (not compounded, not over-complicated, not needlessly complex, sincerity, latin-simplicitate) of heart, fearing (revere-ing) the Lord.

23 Whatever you might do (make), work from out of your soul (psyches), like as to the Lord and not to men;

24 Knowing that you will receive back from the Lord the recompense (reward) of your inheritance. You serve (slave) the Lord Christ.

25 For the one committing injustice (act unjustly toward, doing wrong) will carry (bear, receive) what he has committed unjustly and there is no partiality (favoritism).