Christ, the Life of the Saints and the Constituent of the New Man Col. 2:18-3:11

Monday 3/14

Col. 2:18-19

18 Let no one defraud you by judging you unworthy of your prize, in self-chosen lowliness and the worship of the angels, dwelling on the things which he has seen, vainly puffed up by his mind set on the flesh,

19 And not holding the Head, out from whom all the Body, being richly supplied and knit together by means of the joints and sinews, grows with the growth of God.

Col. 2:8

8 Beware that no one carries you off as spoil through his philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the elements of the world, and not according to Christ;

Phil. 3:14

14 I pursue toward the goal for the prize to which God in Christ Jesus has called me upward.

2 John 1:8-9

- **8** Look to yourselves that you do not lose the things which we wrought, but that you may receive a full reward.
- **9** Everyone who goes beyond and does not abide in the teaching of Christ does not have God; he who abides in the teaching, he has both the Father and the Son.

John 15:5

5 I am the vine; you are the branches. He who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit; for apart from Me you can do nothing.

Eph. 4:15-16

15 But holding to truth in love, we may grow up into Him in all things, who is the Head, Christ,

16 Out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and through the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love.

Further Reading: HWMR Colossians - Week 4, Day 1

Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter 17 – Sections: Practicing Dropping Our Concepts

To Pick Up The Central Thought Of The Bible; Our Concepts Hindering Us From Obtaining The True Meaning Of The Bible; Our Concepts Hindering Us From Receiving The Central Thought Of The Bible (paragraphs 1-3)

Tuesday 3/15

Col. 2:20-23 (20, 23)

20 If you died with Christ from the elements of the world, why, as living in the world, do you subject yourselves to ordinances:

21 Do not handle, nor taste, nor touch,

22 (Regarding things which are all to perish when used) according to the commandments and teachings of men?

23 Such things indeed have a reputation of wisdom in self-imposed worship and lowliness and severe treatment of the body, but are not of any value against the indulgence of the flesh.

Rom. 6:4-5

4 We have been buried therefore with Him through baptism into His death, in order that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so also we might walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have grown together with Him in the likeness of His death, indeed we will also be in the likeness of His resurrection.

Gal. 5:16

16 But I say, Walk by the Spirit and you shall by no means fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Rom. 7:4-6

4 So then, my brothers, you also have been made dead to the law through the body of Christ so that you might be joined to another, to Him who has been raised from the dead, that we might bear fruit to God.

5 For when we were in the flesh, the passions for sins, which acted through the law, operated in our members to bear fruit to death.

6 But now we have been discharged from the law, having died to that in which we were held, so that we serve in newness of spirit and not in oldness of letter.

Further Reading: HWMR Colossians - Week 4, Day 2

Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter 17 – Sections: Our Concepts Hindering Us From

Receiving The Central Thought Of The Bible (paragraphs 4-7)

Wednesday 3/16

Col. 3:1-3 (1-2)

1 If therefore you were raised together with Christ, seek the things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.

2 Set your mind on the things which are above, not on the things which are on the earth.

3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

Eph. 2:6

6 And raised us up together with Him and seated us together with Him in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus,

Rom. 8:4-6

4 That the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the spirit.

5 For those who are according to the flesh mind the things of the flesh; but those who are according to the spirit, the things of the Spirit.

6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the spirit is life and peace.

1 John 2:15

15 Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in him;

2 Cor. 4:18

18 Because we do not regard the things which are seen but the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

Matt. 6:33

33 But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

Heb. 12:2

2 Looking away unto Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down on the right hand of the throne of God.

Further Reading: HWMR Colossians - Week 4, Day 3

Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter

17 – Sections: Needing To Give Up Our Concepts When We Read The Word; The Center Of The Bible Being God Becoming Man's Life In The Son

Thursday 3/17

Col. 3:3-4

- **3** For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.
- **4** When Christ our life is manifested, then you also will be manifested with Him in glory.

Gal. 2:10-11

10 Only they requested that we remember the poor, which very thing I was also eager to do.

11 But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face because he stood condemned.

Gal. 3:27 See Lord's Day

Rom 6:3-5

- **3** Or are you ignorant that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death?
- **4** We have been buried therefore with Him through baptism into His death, in order that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so also we might walk in newness of life.
- **5** For if we have grown together with Him in the likeness of His death, indeed we will also be in the likeness of His resurrection,

Phil. 3:9-10

- **9** And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness which is out of the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is out of God and based on faith,
- 10 To know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death.

Further Reading: HWMR Colossians - Week 4, Day 4

Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter 17 – Sections: Examples Of Man's Concepts Veiling God's Word (paragraphs 1-4)

Friday 3/18

Col. 3:5-10 (<u>5, 9-10</u>)

- **5** Put to death therefore your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and greediness, which is idolatry;
- 6 Because of which things the wrath of God is

coming upon the sons of disobedience;

- 7 In which you also once walked, when you lived in these things.
- **8** But now, you also, put away all these things: wrath, anger, malice, blasphemy, foul abusive language out of your mouth.
- **9** Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his practices
- 10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

Gal. 2:20

20 I am crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

Gal. 5:24

24 But they who are of Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and its lusts.

Rom. 8:13

13 For if you live according to the flesh, you must die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the practices of the body, you will live.

Eph. 4:22-23, 25 See Lord's Day

Further Reading: HWMR Colossians - Week 4, Day 5

Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter 17 – Sections: Examples Of Man's Concepts Veiling God's Word (paragraphs 5-6); Asking God For New Things

Saturday 3/19

Col. 3:10-11

- 10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,
- 11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.

Eph. 2:15-16

15 Abolishing in His flesh the law of the commandments in ordinances, that He might create the two in Himself into one new man, so making peace,

16 And might reconcile both in one Body to God through the cross, having slain the enmity by it.

Eph. 4:24 See Lord's Day

Rom. 12:2

2 And do not be fashioned according to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and well pleasing and perfect.

Phil. 1:21

21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

1 Cor. 12:13

13 For also in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and were all given to drink one Spirit.

Further Reading: HWMR Colossians - Week 4, Day 6

Hymns, #510, 1087, 1187, 474, 593, 1230;

Lord's Day 3/20

Gal. 3:26-29

26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

28 There cannot be Jew nor Greek, there cannot be slave nor free man, there cannot be male and female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

29 And if you are of Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, heirs according to promise.

Eph 4:20-25

20 But you did not so learn Christ,

21 If indeed you have heard Him and have been taught in Him as the reality is in Jesus.

22 That you put off, as regards your former manner of life, the old man, which is being corrupted according to the lusts of the deceit,

23 And that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind

24 And put on the new man, which was created according to God in righteousness and holiness of the reality.

25 Therefore having put off the lie, speak truth each one with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

Further Reading:

Life-study of Colossians, msgs. 25, 26, 43, 27, 28

