

# Sermon Notes: The Journey through Colossians | Pastor Wes | Bible Study

## I. Introduction

- **Topic:** Transformation in Christ
- **Scripture:** Colossians 3
- **Opening Prayer:** Seeking to be guided by God's Word.

## II. Key Themes

### A. New Life in Christ

- **Colossians 3:1-4:** Focus on heavenly things; life hidden with Christ.
- **Transformation:** Emphasis on living a life that reflects Christ's resurrection.

### B. Putting Off the Old Self

- **Colossians 3:5-9:** Call to put to death earthly behaviors such as fornication and covetousness.
- **Specific Sins:** Listing sins to be abandoned in the new life.

### C. Putting On the New Self

- **Colossians 3:12-14:** Encouragement to adopt virtues like compassion, kindness, humility, and patience.
- **Unity and Peace:** These virtues promote unity and harmony within the Christian community.

## III. Lessons and Applications

### A. Living with a Heavenly Focus

- **Eternal Perspective:** Maintaining focus on Christ and heavenly values.
- **Daily Practice:** Practical steps to cultivate a Christ-like character.

### B. Embracing Christian Virtues

- **Compassion and Kindness:** Applying these virtues in interactions with others.
- **Humility and Patience:** Living out these virtues in daily life.

### C. Allowing Christ's Peace to Rule

- **Peace of Christ:** Letting Christ's peace govern our hearts.
- **Thankfulness:** Encouragement to live with gratitude and allow the word of Christ to dwell richly.

## IV. Conclusion

- **Reflection on Colossians 3:** Importance of setting minds on things above and living a transformed life.
- **Call to Action:** Embrace the new life in Christ and reflect His character in all aspects of life.

### **Scriptural References**

- **Colossians 3:1-4**
- **Colossians 3:5-9**
- **Colossians 3:12-14**
- **Colossians 3:15-17**