

April 2, 2014
“Warning of Things to Avoid”
Colossians 3:1-11

1) Perspective (1-4)

- **Resurrected** *“So if you have been raised with the Messiah, seek what is above, where the Messiah is, seated at the right hand of God.” (1)*
- **Raised** *“Set your minds on what is above, not on what is on the earth.” (2)*
- **Released** *“For you have died, and your life is hidden with the Messiah in God.” (3)*
- **Redeemed** *“When the Messiah, who is your life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.” (4)*

2) Problems (5-9)

- **Practices** *“Therefore, put to death what belongs to your worldly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desire, and greed, which is idolatry.” (5)*
- **Punishment** *“Because of these, God’s wrath comes on the disobedient, and you once walked in these things when you were living in them.” (6-7)*
- **Precursors** *“But now you must also put away all the following: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and filthy language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another...” (8-9a)*

3) Prescription *“...since you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self. You are now being renewed in knowledge according to the image of your Creator.” (9b-10)*

4) **Partners** *“In Christ there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all.”* (11)

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