# **COLOSSIANS**

Mature in Christ Raised with Christ Colossians 3:1-4

### **PASTOR'S PRAYER**

Almighty Father in Heaven, you are exalted, majestic, deserving all honor, praise and glory from us this morning and from every corner of your creation, the angels in heaven, the fish of the deep and all that has breath. May all creation declare your resplendent glory and worth!! We confess our hearts are desperate for our own glory and praise and exaltation. We want to be honored and revered and we grab and demand this every day of our lives. LORD grant us eyes to see your glory that we might humbly acknowledge your singular status, LORD of Lords and King of kings. What is information in us is perfect wisdom in you. What are skills and abilities in us is omnipotence in you. Grant us your Spirit this morning, Father, that we might seek the things above and set our minds on things above where Christ is, seated at your right hand. May we know your grace and your glory that our lives may find our sure hope and great joy in Christ and not in the empty, passing things of this world. We ask these things in the power of our resurrected and exalted Savior, Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen & Amen.

#### **OUTLINE**

- 1. Our Call to Christ-centered Life (vv. 1-2)
- 2. Our Ground for Christ-centered Life (v. 3)
- 3. Our Promise of the Christ-centered Life (v. 4)

## Central Textual Truth

Paul calls the Colossians to fix their affections upon the exalted Christ.

## **Central Sermon Aim**

I want SGBC to fix our affections upon our exalted Christ.