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## Overview of Colossians Chapter 3

Epistle Main Theme: Christ, the Pre-eminent One, the Only and All-Sufficient Savior

- 3:1-4     You have risen with Christ, and with Him you have risen to a new life, to heavenly principles
- 3:5-11    What vices are to be put off, being mortified in this death
- 3:12-17    What graces are to be put on, being quickened through His resurrection
- 3:18-19    Of wives and husbands
- 3:20-21    Of children and parents
- 3:22-4:1    Of slaves and masters

Source: J. B. Lightfoot's Commentary on Colossians<sup>2</sup>

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## Colossians 3:5-11

What vices are to be put off, being mortified in this death

Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to...

immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.

For it is because of these things that the wrath of God will come...

and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them.

But now you also, put them all aside:

anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth.

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## Colossians 3:5-11

What vices are to be put off, being mortified in this death

Do not lie to one another (Stop lying to one another...)

since you laid aside the old self with its evil practices...

and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge

according to the image of the One who created him

a renewal in which there is no distinction

but Christ is all, and in all.

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## Colossians 3:12-17

What graces are to be put on, being quickened through His resurrection

As those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved...

Put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience

Bearing with one another...

And forgiving each other, just as the Lord forgave you

Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,

And be thankful

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## Colossians 3:12-17

What graces are to be put on, being quickened through His resurrection

Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you,

with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another

with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,

singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Whatever you do in word or deed,

do all in the name of the Lord Jesus,

giving thanks through Him to God the Father.

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