



Something Old, Something New

Colossians 3:5-17 | Andy Keppel

“Do not handle! Do not taste! Do not touch! These rules, which have to do with things that are all destined to perish with use, are based merely on human commands and teachings. Such regulations indeed have an appearance of wisdom, with their self-imposed worship, their false humility, and their harsh treatment of the body, but they lack any value in restraining sensual indulgence.” (Col 2:21-23 NIV)

“Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.”

“When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the Cross.” (Col 2:13-14)

I. Old and New

“Do not imagine, that any imitation of Christian manners will save you; do not conceive that hanging upon your lifeless branches the semblance of fruits will transform you into a tree of righteousness, the planting of the Lord. Oh! No...the sap within you must be changed, the life of God must be infused into your soul, you must be made one with Christ, or you cannot serve Him.” (Spurgeon)

“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by a renewing of your mind.” (Rom 12:2)



“And have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its creator.” (Col 3:10)

“The Gospel isn’t less than fleeing the wrath of God, but it’s certainly way more. Looking at...really looking at our old self will either send us to despair, or drive us to genuine hope and thankfulness.” (John Hall)

For my life, He bled and died.
Christ will hold me fast.
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.

II. Me and You

“As God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved...” (Col 3:12)

For my love is often cold
He will hold me fast.

“Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues, put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body, you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach, and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.” (Col 3:13-16)

”Out of the depths, I cry to You Lord...” (Ps 130)



Out of the depths I cry to you
In darkest places I will call
Incline your heart to me anew
And hear my cry for mercy Lord.

“Brother, as long as I’m alive on this earth, I’m gonna be telling everybody I can about Jesus. And when I die...it’ll be the same thing!” (Pastor T)

III. The Hope of Glory, Through and Through

“Christ in you, the Hope of Glory.” (Col 1:27)

“Whatever you do, whether in word or in deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to the Father through Him.” (Col 3:17)

“Christ is all and is in all,” (Col 3:11)

Thank you God. Thank you for calling me your own, and for purchasing me from my sin. For vindicating God’s glory, which I scorned through my rebellion. I have to be honest...I look at this list and think, “I’ve been struggling with these things my whole life, and if I knew how to be a gentle and patient person...I would. Help me God. I don’t want to be that person anymore.”

Beloved, I am with you always.

You Lack Nothing