

# Be Careful How You Hear

- Mark 4:24
- And He said to them, Be careful what you are hearing. The measure (of thought and study) you give [to the truth you hear] will be the measure [of virtue and knowledge] that comes back to you — and more [besides] will be given to you *who hear*.

# How To Walk in Victory

- Col. 2:20-23, Holds some keys to understanding how to do what Paul is telling us to do in chapter #3.
- 1. You died with Christ and arose w/Him.
- 2. Don't be bullied by religion.
- 3. Human efforts at disciplining the flesh are futile.

# How To Walk in Victory

- Col. 3:1 We now live by the resurrection life that is now through JESUS. (Rom.8:2,11)
- Col. 3:9-10 – The reason why I do not practice lying is because I have Put On the new self – the new self is the self that arose with Jesus. How do I put on the new self? Only by faith in the resurrection power!

# The New Life

- The new self is being reprogrammed through the knowledge of Christ.
- Col. 3:11- Here there are no ethnic distinctions; religious distinctions; cultural distinctions, or social distinctions. Why? Because the believers' identity is in Christ.

# The New Self

- Col. 3:12 – The believer is clothed in resurrection power (the ability of God), so the instructions given in Col. 3:12-23 can be accomplished.
- You can't see the new self.
- You can't feel the new self.
- The physical senses cannot detect the new self.

# The New Self

- You can only make contact with the new self through faith.
- Faith in what?
- **The new self is being reprogrammed through the knowledge of Christ.**

# The Power of the New Life

- Jesus Christ is the Source of all that we receive from God (Jn. 14:6).
- The Cross of Christ is the means by which these things come to us (Rom. 6:3-5; 1:17-18, 23; 2:2).
- The cross of Christ must at all times be the object of our faith (Gal. 6:14).
- The Holy Spirit works through the parameters of the finished work of Jesus (Rom. 8:1-2, 11).