



Small Group Questions

Colossians 3:1-17

REMINDER: The purpose of our small groups at Cypress is to learn to love one another. We seek to do this as we: 1. Study the Bible together; 2. Discuss how to put it into practice; 3. Pray together; and 4. Live life together. Please use these questions only as they help you achieve this purpose. You will notice that these questions are structured according to the three basic principles of Bible study - observation, interpretation, and application.

1. **Sermon Link:** If you missed the sermon on Sunday, you can find it at cypresschurch.org. What was your take-away from the sermon?

2. **Read it:** Read Colossians 3:1-17

3. **Observation – What do you see?**

In the first few verses of Colossians 3, Ben noted that there are multiple instances of “gospel language”. Can you find the examples of “gospel language”?

Verse 1 says that Jesus is “seated at the right hand of God.” What stood out to you from Ben’s description of Jesus’ enthronement? (Think Queen of England vs. Lawn Chair Larry)

4. **Interpretation – What does it mean?**

These 17 verses in Colossians 3 are often thought of as the “do’s and don’ts” of the Christian life. But Ben noted that there is a renewing of our mind that must occur before we attempt to live in this new way. Read Hebrews 2:5-9 – who is King Jesus? Do you think of Jesus in this way?

Ben also noted that just because we believe in Jesus doesn’t mean you’ll wake up in the “new coat” each morning. We need to intentionally choose to be the people that Christ has called us to be. Read Romans 7:15-20 & 8:5-8. What is really required for us to put off the “old life” and begin living in the “new life” with God?

5. **Application – How does this apply?**

Are you living your life for King Jesus or for yourself? If you have struggled to live your life for King Jesus until now, are you willing to intentionally begin practicing setting your mind on God? What is one practical step that you’d like to begin taking each day to help you set your mind on God?