

Get a New Life!

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Some people can hardly imagine new life. It feels like guilt is their inescapable burden, sin is their unbreakable habit, and hell is their inevitable fate.

Some people can hardly see the need for new life. Life is pretty good, nothing they do seems very bad, and heaven feels automatic.

Colossians 3 answers the dispirited and the presumptuous alike.

“If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on the earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory” (Col. 3:1-4).

Have you been raised with Christ? That’s what happens when we’re baptized the way the Bible teaches. New life in Christ comes to everyone who has been “buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead” (Col. 2:12). Your guilt before God is gone. Your glory with Christ is on the horizon. New life is yours to live with God’s help. How’s that to revive the spirit?

“Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth” (Col. 3:5-8).

What a contrast! If we’re not living in Christ, we’re living in sin.

What an eye-opener! Sin is so deadly that the only thing we ought to do with it is put it to death. But Christians are the only ones with power from God to do it.

If some overconfident soul thinks he has dodged all the sins on this short list, the Holy Spirit saves not the best (since there are no good sins), not the worst (since every sin rouses the wrath of God), but maybe the most common for last: “Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator” (Col. 3:9-10).

Everyone who has ever lived for very long has lied; don’t lie about it! If you lie—count everything from your needless exaggerations to your bald-faced dishonesty—you become a lot more like the devil than like God. God never lies (Titus 1:2). Jesus told dishonest people, “You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father’s desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies” (John 8:44).

Lying couldn’t be a bigger deal. Stop it!

Take another look at all the power for change in verses 1-4. How can you stop lying? First, be raised with Christ; don’t try to do it by yourself. Second, set your mind on things above. We lie to try to make things better for us on earth or keep things from becoming worse for us on earth. No lie will get us where we really want to go, but just the opposite. Third, think often of the glory when you finally see Christ who saved you from the habit and helped you put it to death.

Danny Boggs

His own people, eager to do what is good – Titus 2:14

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Kay Anderson, Carol Bessman, Fred Bukowich, Bonaga Buck, Joyce Clarkson, Vera Cornell, Lee Crabtree, Tammy Crawford, Joe and Teresa Freund, Gael Jackson, Molly Jackson, Millie Lyons, Pam McMahan, Sherry Merrill, Kevin Murray, Foy O'Neil, Lyn Pendergraft, Charlie Phillips, Mebyl Privett, John Randall, Tina Rasbury, Connor Reiboldt, Lawrence Sanders, Rylee Schroeder, Harold Speir, Edith Toney.

 **Every "One" Counts:** When you give an extra dollar each Sunday, it goes to help someone in need. If you know someone who needs help, please contact Jennifer Daniels or Natalie McInturff.

Devo and Donuts meets every Tuesday at 7:00 in the activities center. Start your day in a positive way and invite your friends to join you. 

If you are not able to be at church, continue to visit our Facebook page, website or YouTube channel to see or hear our services **online**. Services will be at 10:00 am and 6:00 pm on Sundays and 7:00 pm on Wednesdays.

Our **youth** have been enjoying time together playing games, praising God, and studying the Bible during a house retreat in Hollister this weekend. The van will return today at 12:00 pm.

New Devo will be next Sunday at Benny and Linda Haught's home. Guys are asked to bring chips and drinks and girls bring desserts.

Lads 2 Leaders: the Bible Bowl study question notebooks are available at the welcome desk. Continue studying the book of Joshua. We will have a practice session soon!



Today's Sermons

A.M. *You Shall Not Bear False Witness Against Your Neighbor.*

(Exodus 20:16, Danny Boggs)

P.M. *You Shall Not Bear False Witness Against Your Neighbor.*

(Discussion Groups)



Thursday Morning Ladies' Class will meet this week at 10:00 in the fellowship room.



Hillcrest Holiday Dinner will be Friday in the activities center. It is a family meal and you are encouraged to invite your family and friends. There will be lots of food, fellowship and fun activities. Please RSVP by filling out a form on the welcome desk and leaving it in the office or giving it to one of the Cobbs by Wednesday night.

To God's Family at Hillcrest,

The family of Carolyn Bukowich thanks you for all the love and support extended to us during the time of her passing. Some shared hugs, memories of her or words of comfort and encouragement. Some brought food so we could focus on other tasks. Others made donations to the Christian School in her honor or sent us cards. We appreciated the beautiful plant arrangement and funeral dinner for the family that the church provided. Many served in a variety of ways at her celebration of life service. She enjoyed a long history at Hillcrest and was so proud of her wonderful church family! We're grateful for the love and care given to both our parents during their golden years. We're also confident that you'll continue to comfort Fred in her absence and be a blessing to him and therefore to us as well.

Thank you all! In Christ,

*Fred Bukowich, Luanne & Larry Waterman,
Gretchen & Wade Tannehill*

Notes from recipients of Every "One" Counts.

Thank all of you for the help with my electric bills. Thanks for the help you have given me. God bless and keep all of you.

You are very special saints. We appreciate you and thank you for your prayers and support. Your gift was overwhelming to us. We praise God for all wonderful blessing that have come our way.

A Little More about Honesty and Dishonesty

•Jesus said, "But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one" (Matt. 5:37).

•Flattery is one way people lie. It has been described as "saying to someone's face what you would never say behind his back!"

•"O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend..." (Psalm 115:1-3).

WORSHIP LEADERS

Today

AM Opening Prayer: Tucker Anderson
AM Closing Prayer: Peter Wald
Communion Prayers: Danny Boggs

This Wednesday

Announcements: Eli Giebler
Singing: Zane Berner
Invitation: Bryan Reiboldt
Opening Prayer: Charlie Collinsworth
Closing Prayer: Alec Fehring

RECORDS

11-7-21

11-8-20

Bible Study	130	123
AM Worship	170	176
PM Worship	107	158
Wednesday	134	106
Contribution	\$8,041.19	\$7,085.19
Budget	\$8,000.00	\$7,864.15