**Putting OFF and Putting ON ~ Colossians 3:5-111**

**🡺Scripture Reading-** Colossians 3:1-2, 5-11

 **INTRODUCTION**

5 Put to DEATH, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: NIV

 **Put to DEATH?? ~ Colossians 3:5-8**

 5 Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry.

**Romans 1:25** (NIV) They exchanged the truth of God for a LIE, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator...

6 Because of these, the wrath of God is coming.

**Galatians 6:7** (JBP) Don't be under any illusion: you cannot make a fool of God! A man's harvest in life will depend entirely on What he Sows.

7 You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. 8 But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips.

**Categories of Behavior**: HNTC

* perverted passions vs 5
* hot tempers vs 8
* sharp tongues vs. 8

 **IMPLICATION**

5 Put to DEATH, therefore, whatever belongs to your Earthly Nature...

 **Romans 8:8** (NIV) Those controlled by the sinful nature CANNOT Please God.

**🡺The New Life does Not Come as the result of a successful daily battle with temptation.**

 **Romans 6:6** (NLT) We know that our old sinful selves were crucified WITH Christ so that sin might

 lose its power in our lives. We are NO longer SLAVES to sin

**🡺Knowledge of God, His Son, and His Ways is Critical for Putting to Death our sin nature**

 **Romans 6:10–14** (NIV) The death He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life He lives,

 He lives to God.

11 In the same way, Count yourselves DEAD to sin but ALIVE to God in Christ Jesus.

11 In the same way look upon yourselves as DEAD to the appeal and power of sin but ALIVE

 and Sensitive to the Call of God through Jesus Christ our Lord. (JBP)

12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. 13 Do not OFFER the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness...

13...but rather offer yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer the parts of your body to Him as instruments of righteousness.

13 ...Like men rescued from certain death, put yourselves in God's hands as weapons of good

 for His own purposes. (JBP)

14 For Sin Shall Not Be your master, because you are Not under law, but under GRACE.

1- Count yourself DEAD to sin

2- Do NOT let Sin REIGN in you

3- You’ve gone from DEATH to LIFE

4- Sin is Not you master live by GRACE

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 **Put ON the NEW Self ~ Colossians 3:9-11**

9 Do not lie to each other, since you have Taken Off your old self with its practices 10 and have Put On the new self, which is being Renewed in Knowledge in the image of its Creator. 11 Here there is no Greek or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is ALL, and is in all.

 **IMPLICATION**

**10**...have PUT ON the New Self, which is Being Renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

**Romans 12:2** (NIV) Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the Renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is...

**2 Corinthians 4:16–18** (NIV) 16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being Renewed day by day. 17 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 18 So we fix our eyes NOT on what is seen, but ON what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

 **TAKE AWAY ??**

11 Here there is NO Greek or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ IS ALL, and is IN ALL. (NIV)

**If a person was IN Christ then there were NO...**

**National** barriers

**Religious** barriers

**Cultural** barriers

**Economic** barriers

**IN Christ ALL the Barriers** are **Broken Down**

**Ephesians 2:11–14** (NLT) 11 Don’t forget that you Gentiles used to be outsiders. You were called “uncircumcised heathens” by the Jews, who were proud of their circumcision, even though it affected only their bodies and not their hearts. 12 In those days you were living apart from Christ. You were excluded from citizenship among the people of Israel, and you did not know the covenant promises God had made to them. You lived in this world Without God and Without HOPE. 13 BUT NOW you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ. 14 For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, He broke down the Wall of Hostility that separated us.