

98. Dr. Andrew Corbett

1 May 2020 at 10:00:17 pm
 Col. 3:5 ¶ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.
 Col. 3:6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming.
 Col. 3:7 In these you too once walked, when you were living in them.
 Col. 3:8 But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.
 Col. 3:9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices
 Col. 3:10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.
 Col. 3:11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.
 Col. 3:12 ¶ Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,
 Col. 3:13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.
 Col. 3:14 And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.
 Col. 3:15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.
 Col. 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.
 Col. 3:17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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 1Cor. 13:4 ¶ Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant
 1Cor. 13:5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful;
 1Cor. 13:6 it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.
 1Cor. 13:7 Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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4 May 2020 at 9:17:35 pm
 True love is seeking the highest

Study 9

COLOSSIANS 3:5-17

LOVE DIFFERENTLY

A recent global campaign promoted the motto, "Love is love." It seemed to imply that if two people 'loved' each other, even if the morality or appropriateness of their relationship was questionable, everyone else should not just *approve*, but *celebrate* it. But there is a problem with this motto. The term "love" has now become a catch-all word for a range of emotions and relationships which are quite different from each other. For example, we might say, "I love ice-cream" or "I love my Grandmother" or "I love playing Monopoly" or "I love you." In each instance, the word *love* means something different, which therefore means that it cannot be true that *love is not love*.

- 99 1. Based on **First Corinthians 13:4-7**, in one sentence, how would you summarise into your own words this Biblical definition of love?
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- 101 2. How might **Colossians 3:5** challenge the world's understanding of love?
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- 103 3. What does **Colossians 3:7** imply that conversion to Christianity will result in?
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- 105 4. According to **Colossians 3:8-10**, who is responsible for the believer's repentance and transformation
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good of another by putting them first, which involves listening, forgiving, and being patient with them.

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Col. 3:5 ¶ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

New English Translation-

Col. 3:5 So put to death whatever in your nature belongs to the earth: sexual immorality, impurity, shameful passion, evil desire, and greed which is idolatry.

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This verse denounces the very things that the world often considers to be 'love' - promiscuity, fornication, unbridled lust.

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Col. 3:7 In these you too once walked, when you were living in them.

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It implies that once a person converts to Christianity their lifestyle will change from a life of immorality to a life of genuine love for others.

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Col. 3:8 But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.

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Col. 3:10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

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The believer is required to repent and strive toward Christlikeness

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Rom. 6:19 I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

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Rom. 6:22 But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life.

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1Th. 4:3 For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality;

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The will of God is to abstain from sexual immorality including such expressions as pornography.

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Col. 3:10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

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Note how Paul countering the Gnostics who claimed to have 'special' knowledge and Paul says that the knowledge that really counts is a growing knowledge of Christ!

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6 May 2020 at 8:42:56 pm
Col. 3:11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

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6 May 2020 at 8:58:57 pm
Col. 3:12 ¶ Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, Col. 3:13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.
Col. 3:14 And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

107 ... "Sanctification" (Rom. 6:19, 22) is the word used to describe the process a believer goes through as they become and holy and more like Christ.

109 5. How does Paul describe the will of God in First Thessalonians 4:3?

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111 6. Paul states in Colossians 3:10 that the believer's growth in Christ is fuelled by an increasing knowledge. What kind of knowledge might Paul be referring to?

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This knowledge is not only for the elite or the highly educated, but is people from all nationalities and social classes (Col. 3:11).

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7. Because we are all equal — and each have equal access to God — because of Christ, how are we to treat each other according to Colossians 3:12-14?

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116 8. Read Colossians 3:15. How could you tell if someone was applying this verse?

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118 9. Based on Colossians 3:16 what is it that should undergird and inform our worship together as a church family?

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120 10. Why, according to Colossians 3:17, should we regard our 'mundane' activities as worship?

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Amen.