



“His Peace, His Word, His Name”

Colossians 3:15-17

April 3, 2021

Questions for Application and Fellowship

MY STORY

1. If you were to review your thought life and use of time, what would you discover as the greatest priorities of your life?

QUICK REVIEW

Having expressed his gratitude for the Colossian church, and having presented a clear picture of the supremacy and sufficiency of Christ (chapter 1), Paul explicitly warns the Colossians against a heresy spreading in their city (chapter 2). Moving forward, Paul exhorts the church about the new life and Kingdom lifestyle that union with Christ leads to (chapter 3). As those that have put off the old and put on the new, now we peer into the community life of the local body of Christ. Three great priorities emerge.

Three great priorities for the risen community:

- 1. The peace of Christ (3:15)**
- 2. The word of Christ (3:16)**
- 3. The name of Christ (3:17)**

Was any point in this weekend’s message or portion of Scripture particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. The peace of Christ is to make decisive rulings in the body of Christ. We are to do what makes for peace in the church. How do the qualities we studied last time (3:12-14) nurture the atmosphere of peace?
2. We are “called” to the experience of peace. What is the nature of the calling of God upon the church of God? Is it a polite request? Or is it a divine authoritative summons? What are we called to in the following passages?

Galatians 5:13

Ephesians 4:4

I Thessalonians 4:4

2 Timothy 1:9

3. What are the results of the word of Christ dwelling in a local church? What do we find in Colossians 3:16? How can you see more of these results in your life?
4. The Christian church has always been a singing church. We sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs to the Lord as an outflow of the ministry of the word of God. What are a couple of your favorite hymns or praise songs? Why?
5. Gratitude and thankfulness highlight the book of Colossians and show up in each verse in this week’s passage. What do you learn about the nature of thanksgiving here? Does thanksgiving come easily for you? Or cynicism? How can you grow in gratitude?