

Bay Life Church Message Notes

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Becoming A White Flag Family: Part 1

Colossians 3:1-10, 18-21; Philippians 3:18-19

God has a plan for your family.

18 Wives, submit to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. 19 Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them. 20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. 21 Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

Colossians 3:18-21

Ever read something in the Bible and wondered, "How do I do that?"

Remember your position, then determine your ambition.

1 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

Colossians 3:1-2

In other words, this new life gives us new hope and new priorities.

3 For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Colossians 3:3-4

Priority #1 – Kill your earthly appetites.

*18 For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. 19 Their destiny is destruction, **their god is their stomach**, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things.*

Philippians 3:18-19 (NIV)

5 Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming. 7 In these you too once walked, when you were living in them.

Colossians 3:5-6

Priority #1 – Lose your earthly coping methods.

>> Lose the anger

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

Colossians 3:8

>> Lose the deceit

9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices 10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

Colossians 3:9-10