

The Life Set on Christ—Colossians 3:1-4

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Having warned the Colossian believers to leave behind the “things on the earth,” Paul urges them to be set on “things above,” for that is where Christ, who is their life, dwells. He directs them toward this life set on Christ by use of *two transformational imperatives* which we ourselves must obey if we are to know a Christ-centered walk with God.

1. Seek the “above” things—the believer’s *pursuit* (1).

From last Lord’s Day:

- a. “Things above” are best thought of as things *apart*, or *beyond*, i.e. things that are beyond the *sensible* or *visible* world. Many of these things are not far away, but here among us; however, we cannot access them with the physical senses.
- b. To “seek” the above things means that one’s ultimate *goal* is to attain unto those things that are from the “above” world. Believers have been promised those things; but they yearn for them nevertheless, so that their lives are lived with these ultimate goals in mind.

2. Mind the “above” things—the believer’s *passion* (2-4).