

*Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Colossians 3:1-4 (NIV)*

## **Mind Set**

I will set my heart and mind on heavenly things rather than on earthly things. **What do you mean by that?** I will not pursue all that this world has to offer. I will not mispend my life on what will not last. I will not waste my time, talents and resources trying to acquire things. My life will not be about seeking to live in comfort and experience pleasure. You have made it so I can truly say that I am completely dead to the world and fully alive to you. **That's true.** Do I always live out this reality? Does the world never succeed in capturing my attention? I know that I am not living out a perfect life. I do take missteps, make mistakes and sin. But you are guiding and guarding the course of my life. I am living my life with and for you. You forgive my sin. You cleanse my unrighteousness. You keep me moving forward with you. **Yes, that is exactly what I am doing with and for you.** For that, I am very thankful. **That's good.**

**What do you hope to gain? What do you hope to accomplish with your life?** I hope to come to know you intimately. I hope to be able to know and do your will. I want to be used by you. I want to be an instrument in your hands. I want to go where you guide me. I want to do what you ask of me. I want to fully love, follow and obey you. I want to shine brightly as your witness in the world. I want others to be drawn to you through the testimony of my life. I hope to bear abundant fruit for your kingdom. I hope to bring glory to your name. **How will all these desires be fulfilled?** You have given me these desires. You will fulfill these desires. I know you. You are both the giver and granter of desires. **Yes, I am.** You give me prayers to pray that you will hear and answer. **Yes, I will.**

**Is there anything else that you want?** I want all that you want for me. I want nothing more. I want nothing less. One day when you appear in your glory, I want to be with you. I want to be able to hear you say, "Well done, good and faithful servant." Only you can and only you will make this possible. Have I asked for enough? **Yes, you have asked for everything that I want to and will give to you. I will hear and answer your prayers.** Thank you, Lord.

*Lord, help me to live a life that is completely dead to the world and fully alive to you. I will set my heart and mind on heavenly things, of lasting and eternal value, rather than earthly things, so I can bear much fruit for your kingdom and bring glory to your name. Amen*

### **Becoming Like Christ** *On Things Above*

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

NIV Colossians 3:1-4

### **Becoming Like Christ** *On The Realities Of Heaven*

Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God. And when Christ, who is your life, is revealed to the whole world, you will share in all his glory.

NLT Colossians 3:1-4

### **Becoming Like Christ** *Things That Are Above*

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

NRSV Colossians 3:1-4

### **Becoming Like Christ** *Eternal Treasures That Are Above*

IF THEN you have been raised with Christ [to a new life, thus sharing His resurrection from the dead], aim at and seek the [rich, eternal treasures] that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. And set your minds and keep them set on what is above (the higher things), not on the things that are on the earth. For [as far as this world is concerned] you have died, and your [new, real] life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with Him in [the splendor of His] glory.

AMP Colossians 3:1-4

### **Becoming Like Christ** *The Things Above*

Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

NASB Colossians 3:1-4

### **Becoming Like Christ** *Things That Are Above*

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

ESV Colossians 3:1-4

### **Becoming Like Christ** *Which Are Above*

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

NKJV Colossians 3:1-4

### **Becoming Like Christ** *Things Over Which Christ Presides*

So if you're serious about living this new resurrection life with Christ, act like it. Pursue the things over which Christ presides. Don't shuffle along, eyes to the ground, absorbed with the things right in front of you. Look up, and be alert to what is going on around Christ—that's where the action is. See things from his perspective. Your old life is dead. Your new life, which is your real life—even though invisible to spectators—is with Christ in God. He is your life. When Christ (your real life, remember) shows up again on this earth, you'll show up, too—the real you, the glorious you. Meanwhile, be content with obscurity, like Christ.

MSG Colossians 3:1-4

### **Becoming Like Christ** *Rich Treasures And Joys Of Heaven*

Since you became alive again, so to speak, when Christ arose from the dead, now set your sights on the rich treasures and joys of heaven where he sits beside God in the place of honor and power. Let heaven fill your thoughts; don't spend your time worrying about things down here. You should have as little desire for this world as a dead person does. Your real life is in heaven with Christ and God. And when Christ who is our real life comes back again, you will shine with him and share in all his glories.

TLB Colossians 3:1-4

### **Becoming Like Christ** *What Is In Heaven*

Since you were raised from the dead with Christ, aim at what is in heaven, where Christ is sitting at the right hand of God. Think only about the things in heaven, not the things on earth. Your old sinful self has died, and your new life is kept with Christ in God. Christ is our life, and when he comes again, you will share in his glory.

NCV Colossians 3:1-4



**Journal**

*As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord*

**What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?**

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**What Prayers Are You Praying Today?**

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**Prayer Of Blessing**

*(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)*

*May you set your heart and mind on heavenly things rather than on earthly things.*

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**Prayer To Carry**

*(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)*

*Lord, I will set my heart and mind on heavenly things rather than on earthly things.*

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**What Do You Want To Remember About Today?**

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**A Question To Ask God**

*(What Would You Like To Ask God?)*

*Lord, how can I set my heart and mind on heavenly things rather than on earthly things.*

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