



Growing Mature in Christ (Colossians 3: 1-17)

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- IV. *Reap the Rewards*

I. *Re-View* our perspective (3:1-4)

- **We Already Are:** “Raised with Christ” (3:1, 3-4)
- **What’s Needed:** An “Attitude Adjustment”
- **Our Instructions:** set our eyes on things above (3:2)

II. *Remove* earthy vices (“Sarx”) (3:5-9)

- **The problem:** living in earthy vices (3:7)
 - “Passion” (3:5)
 - “Covetousness” (3:5)
- **God’s response:** punishment of earthy vices (3:6)
- **Our instructions:** flee earthy vices (3:8-9)

III. *Recommit* to spiritual virtues (3:10-17)

- **Virtues (Arete)**
- **Knowledge (3:10)**
- **Radical Equality (3:11)**

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- **Fruits of the Spirit (3:12-13a)**
- **Forgiveness (3:13b)**
- **LOVE (3:14)**

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- **Peace and Thankfulness (3:15)**
- **The Word and Wisdom (3:16)**
- **The Center (3:17)**

IV. *Reap* the Rewards

Virtues (Arete) → “Human Flourishing” (Eudaimonia)

God Helps Us Grow

