BEING WITH CHRIST

Colossians 3:1-4

1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the

earth.

3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

I. Quickened With Christ

Colossians 2:13

And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

A. God does not give us up for dead John 5:25

Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

I. Quickened With Christ

- B. God does not give us up for not being perfect Colossians 2:10
- And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:
- C. God gives us life with himself
- Ephesians 2:5-6
- 5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)
- 6 And hath raised us up together, and made us sit
- together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

II. Risen With Christ

Colossians 3:1

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

risen = to a new and blessed life devoted to God

- A. A new position
- B. A new purpose
- C. A new perspective
- Philippians 4:8

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

III. Hid With Christ

Colossians 3:3

For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

- A. A common spiritual life with Christ
- 2 Peter 1:4
- Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

III. Hid With Christ

- B. A life that cannot be understood by the world 1 John 3:2
- Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

III. Hid With Christ

C. A spiritual life that is eternally secure John 10:28

And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

Hebrews 7:25

Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

1 Peter 1:4

To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

IV. Appearing With Christ

Colossians 3:4

When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

- A. The event
- B. The extent
 - 1. Now
- Philippians 1:21
- For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.
 - 2. Then
- 1 John 3:2

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

Let Us Remember Want Christ Did For Us