

## **Seek Those Things Which Are Above**

As Christians, it is important for us to seek after the things of God. Paul describes this idea by saying that we should “seek those things which are above” (Colossians 3:1-4). We must constantly look to the things of God so that we can add them to our lives.

In this passage, Paul gives us three reasons why we should “seek those things which are above.” First, that is “where Christ is” (3:1). When Jesus left this world, He went to be with the Father. He has now “sat down at the right hand of the throne of God” (Hebrews 12:2). We must “seek those things which are above” because that is “where Christ is.”

Second, we “seek those things which are above” because we have died (3:3). The death that Paul is referring to is the fact that we have died to sin. As he goes on to say, we must rid ourselves of the sins of this world (3:5-9). We must “put off the old man with his deeds.” We “seek those things which are above” because we have died to sin.

Finally, we “seek those things which are above” because Christ will appear (3:4). When He does appear again, we “also will appear with Him in glory.” It is at that time that we will stand before His judgment seat (2 Corinthians 5:10). If we “have put on the new man,” we will receive an eternal home with the Father. We must “seek those things which are above” because Christ will appear.

As a Christian, we must seek after the things of God. We must work diligently to put off the old man and replace him with the new man (3:9-11). It is only then that we can be pleasing to the Father.