

“You are Complete in Him”

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Introduction:

- A. Col. 2:9-10
- B. Christ is the foundational power and source of stability and endurance in a believer's life.
 - 1. Regardless of the times and circumstances - Job 2:10

I. CHRIST IS THE SOURCE OF:

- A. Col. 3:1 - Our resurrection
 - 1. There are two resurrections:
 - 2. First resurrection - Spiritual
 - a. Col. 2:13; Eph. 2:1, 5-6
 - 3. Second Resurrection - Physical or bodily resurrection
 - b. John 6:39-40; Rom. 8:11
- B. Col. 3:1 - Our power for living: "Where Christ is sitting at the right hand of God"
 - 1. Eph. 1:20
- C. Col. 3:3 - Our power for dying - Rom. 8:13, 6:6
- D. Col. 3:4 - Our power to live forever - Phil. 3:21; 1John 3:2
- E. Col. 3:10 - Our re-created image
 - 1. New image must be void of old nature and habits - Eph. 4:22
 - 2. New image must be of Christ and His attributes - Eph. 4:24
 - 3. New image must be who we really are - Rev. 1:6; Col. 3:12
- F. Col. 3:13 - Our forgiveness
 - 1. And of our capacity to forgive others
 - a. We have been forgiven much, so we must forgive others; being forgiven should make us expansive and generous toward others
 - b. Forgiveness is a chief Christian marker
 - c. To hold a grudge is of Satan - Matt. 18:21-35
- G. Col. 3:15 - Our peace - Rom. 5:1; Col. 1:20
- H. Col. 3:16-17 - Our wisdom and authority - Matt. 28:18
- I. Col. 3:23 - Our motivation - Eph. 6:6-8
 - 1. Heartily is "ek psuchos" and means "out of the soul"