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- Cityteam Oakland - Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup>
- Small Group Meet & Greet - Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>
- VBC Winter Basketball Begins - Begins Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> (Registration Open)
- VBC Rummage Sale - Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> @ 9am

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## SONGS & SERMONS

"Grateful" - Stefan Green, Chris Brown, Matthew Ntlele, and Steven Furtick

"Exalted Over All" - Andi Rozier, Jason Ingram, Jess Cates

"Way Maker" - Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

"What A Beautiful Name" - Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood

"Christ Be All Around Me" - David Leonard, Jack Mooring, Leeland Mooring, Leslie Jordan

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

2020 Weekly Operating Budget Need.....\$34,979.00	2020 Giving Last Week.....\$30,927.00
2020 Y-T-D General Fund Need.....\$34,979.00	2020 Y-T-D Giving.....\$30,927.00

2019 Year-End Giving.....\$20,137.00

2019 Total General Fund Giving.....\$1,931,259.00

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## HABITS of the HEART

01/12/20 | MUSIC: DAN GILLETTE & NATALIE MOOG | MESSAGE: GARY DARNELL

## MESSAGE NOTES

Building on the foundation of "He is here & He love me!"  
Colossians 3:1-17

What have we done with last week's truths? Did we develop our HH?

1. "He is there & He loves me!"
2. Did we gaze on the eternal to be strengthened & renewed internally?
3. Did we trust the Savior about His loving, growing presence in our hearts?
4. Did we stimulate our faith through His Word?

How does "He is there & He loves me!" affect the way we live? (Colossians 3:1-17)

1. Colossians displays Jesus as supreme Lord of all & the One to Whom we are united!

**Col. 2:8** See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. **9** For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, **10** and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. . . . **20** If with Christ you died to the elemental spirits of the world, why, as if you were still alive in the world, do you submit to regulations—



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2. Because Christ is our life, we must focus on Him (3:1-4).

**Col. 3:1** *If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. 3 For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.*

3. Because Christ is our life, we must stop . . .

a. . . the ugly, vile sinning (5-7).

**Col. 3:5** *Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming. 7 In these you too once walked, when you were living in them.*

b. . . the more subtle, "acceptable" sins (8-9a).

**Col. 3:8** *But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices*

[Note the reminder: more promises of God for us to seek & set our minds on (9b-11)!]

**Col. 3:9** *Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices 10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. 11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.*

4. Because Christ is our life, we must keep on . . .

a. . . living with one another like Christ lives with us (12-13).

**Col. 3:12** *Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, 13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.*

b. . . loving one another as the supreme characteristic of life with Jesus (14-15).

**Col. 3:14** *And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.*

5. Because Christ is our life, His Word must saturate our hearts (16).

**Col. 3:16** *Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.*

6. Because Christ is our life, we represent & reflect Him in **EVERYTHING** we do (17).

**Col. 3:17** *And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

**For us to do this week:**

1. Read Colossians 3:1-17 once a day.
2. For the first two days jot down thoughts that come to mind as you read.
3. On days 3-4 write down the statements & commands specifically related to the inner person or the heart.
4. For each of days 5-6, determine two activities that will aid you in strengthening your inner person. Please be specific.