Glorious Announcement Jesus: The Only Man Worthy of Our Worship Colossians 3:1-17

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1. Jesus gives you purpose and power! vs. 1-3

"'Things above' were not material, but rather have to do with Christ's sovereign reign over the universe as he fills the universe with his power. They include his character, his presence, his heavenly joys. We are not to be seeking heavenly geography, but the One who dwells there¹"- Kent Hughes – *Preaching the Word: Colossians and Philemon*

Christ's life, death, and resurrection will propel you to set your mind on God and the things he delights in!

2. Jesus is your eternal hope! v.4

We must understand that this world his not our home! We are citizens of another kingdom!

But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. **Philippians 3:20 ESV**

3. Jesus is worthy of your worship yesterday, today, and forever. vs. 5-1

"As a postmodern professor, I had warred against the binary oppositions and metanarratives of a biblical worldview, but after reading the Bible in completion many times for myself, and discussing it in honesty with Christian neighbors and colleagues, something happened. The Bible got to be bigger inside me than I; it ignited the "expulsive power of a new affection" (to quote Thomas Chalmers). Here I was, a living epistle whose new life now teetered on the brink of those ideas that I had railed against for years. I had taught thousands of college students that sexuality and gender were social constructs, but the God I now met and loved made it clear in His word: Being born male or female comes with moral responsibilities and constraints. The gospel remade me. It came in exchange for the life I had once loved, not in addition to it. Through it, I met the triune God who intervenes in history and supernaturally controls all things. " - Rosario Butterfield