

# Setting Your Affections on Heaven

**Text: Colossians 3:1-3 (KJV) / (LNT)**

**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.

**1** Since you became alive again, so to speak, when Christ arose from the dead, now set your sights on the rich treasures and joys of heaven where He sits beside God in the place of honor and power. **2** Let heaven fill your thoughts: don't spend your time worrying about things down here. **3** You should have as little desire for this world as a dead person does. Your real life is in heaven with Christ and God.

## **Five Points:**

Point #1: Reading God's Word Daily

Point #2: More time in FERVENT Prayer

Point #3: Look Inside Self, Daily Examine Motives

Point #4: Love of Money is the Root of all Kinds of Evil

Point #5: Who did I Share the GOSPEL with?

## **Point #1: Reading God's Word Daily:**

- II Corinthians 3:18 (AMP)
- II Timothy 2:15 (KJV)
- II Peter 3:17-18 (NLT)

## **II Corinthians 3:18 (AMP)**

And all of us, as with unveiled face, [because we] continued to behold [in the Word of God] as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are constantly being transfigured into His very own image in ever increasing splendor and from one degree of glory to another; [for this comes] from the Lord [Who is] the Spirit.

## **II Timothy 2:15 (KJV)**

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

## **II Peter 3:17-18 (NLT)**

<sup>17</sup> I am warning you ahead of time, dear friends. Be on guard so that you will not be carried away by the errors of these wicked people and lose your own secure footing. <sup>18</sup> Rather, you must grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. All glory to him, both now and forever! Amen.

## **Point #2: More time in FERVENT Prayer**

- a) *What should I pray for? Not just self*
  - James 5:16 (KJV)
  - I Thessalonians 5:17 (KJV)

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## **James 5:16 (KJV)**

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

## **I Thessalonians 5:17 (KJV)**

Pray without ceasing.

## **Point #3: Look Inside Self, Daily Examine Motives**

- II Corinthians 13:5 (KJV)
- Philippians 2:12-13 (KJV)

## **II Corinthians 13:5 (KJV)**

Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

## **Philippians 2:12-13 (KJV)**

[12](#) Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. [13](#) For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of *his* good pleasure.

## **Point #4: Love of Money is the Root of all Kinds of Evil**

- a) *Am I giving as the New Testament teaches?*
  - Luke 6:38 (KJV)
  - Matthew 5:20 (KJV)

## **Luke 6:38 (KJV)**

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

## **Matthew 5:20 (KJV)**

For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

## **Point #5: Who did I Share the GOSPEL with?**

- Matthew 28:19-20 (KJV)
- John 15:1-8 (KJV)
- Acts 8:35 (KJV)

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## Matthew 28:19-20 (KJV)

**19** Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: **20** Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.

## John 15:1-8 (KJV)

**1** I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. **2** Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every *branch* that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. **3** Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. **4** Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. **5** I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. **6** If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast *them* into the fire, and they are burned. **7** If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. **8** Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

## Acts 8:35 (KJV)

Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

## RESPONSE TO THE INVITATION OF FAITH:

1. **HEAR the GOSPEL ~ Romans 10:17**  
So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God.
2. **BELIEVE ~ Hebrews 11:6**  
But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he that cometh to God must believe that He is and He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.
3. **REPENT ~ Luke 13:3**  
I tell you nay; but except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish.
4. **CONFESS ~ Matthew 10:32-33**  
Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.
5. **BE BAPTIZED ~ Acts 22:16**  
And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.
6. **BE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH ~ Revelation 2:10**  
Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.  
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