

Colossians: Fighting Heresy and Preserving Purity
(Part 8) Killing the Old Man

Those who are in Christ have a new _____

We are focusing on eternal, heavenly, _____ things

(Colossians 3:5-6) Killing the old man that is _____ by the world

(v.5) Put to death every part within you that is keeping you from accomplishing God's _____ (Matt. 5:29-30)

Sexual immorality - involves any type of sexual expression outside the boundaries of a biblically defined _____ relationship (Matthew 19:4-5).

Impurity – sin, wickedness, coarseness, corruption, obscenity,

Lust - any overwhelming _____ or _____ (I John 2:16)

Evil desires – self explanatory

Greed - an inordinate or insatiable longing for unneeded _____

Greedy people _____ the things of this world

Don't just suppress them, _____ them out completely

(v.6) God's _____ is coming to punish sin (John 3:36; Romans 1:18, 2:5; Eph.5:6; Rev. 14:10-11)

(Colossians 3:7-10) Removing all traces of worldliness

(v.7) You used to live in _____ against God when your life was centered in the world

(v.8-9a) Immediate action required

Don't wait to kill the old man – the longer he lingers the harder it is to _____ him

Get rid of anger, rage, and malicious behavior

Get rid of slander and dirty language

Stop lying

(v.9b-10) When we were raised to _____ in Christ, the old man was replaced by a new life and new nature

(v.9b) Christ stripped us of the old nature

(v.10) We need to _____ the new nature

We become renewed as we learn to know Christ and become more like him (Eph.4:11-15)

Christianity has a learning curve

We are changed by salvation, but we must _____ with God to become Christlike