

# Christ Is Our Life

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Notes: For Sermon “Christ Is Our Life” Text, Colossians 3:1- 4:6

## Slide 1

Colossians 3:4, “When **Christ, *who is our life***, appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.”

We all want to go to heaven. But in order to get there Christ must be our life, our example. The Apostle Paul is telling us in this passage that we can be with Christ in glory or heaven **if** (that means there are conditions placed on us that we must do) “Christ Is Our Life.”

Let’s see what some of those conditions are as stated by Paul in chapters 3-4.

## Slide 2

### *Christ Is Our Life If...*

#### **We Are Raised With Christ** (Read Col. 3:1-4)

What is Paul saying? He is saying that “Christ is our life” if we have been baptized for remission of sins, just as he spoke about to the Roman Christians in Romans 6:1-11.

#### **Romans 6:1-11** (read)

Notice Rom. 6:4, buried with Christ and raised with Christ. The only way to be raised with Christ is through baptism. Being baptized into Christ brings about a whole new relationship with God, therefore, a whole new way of life.

We have a new way of thinking. (Read verse 2) Similar to what Paul said in **Philippians 4:8-9** (Read)

**Christ is our life if...**

**We Put Off Old Man** (Read Col. 3:9)

This is done at baptism. **Romans 6:5-6** (read). Our old sinful way of life was crucified and put to death, no longer controlling our lives. Paul mentions this beginning with Colo. 3:5.

**Christ Is Our Life If...**

**We Put On New Man** (Read Col. 3:9-10)

When we are buried in baptism, our old sinful way of life is buried. Then, as we are raised up out of the watery grave of baptism, we begin to walk in newness of life. We have died to sin but are now alive to God in Christ. (Read **Romans 6:11-13**)

**Christ Is Our Life If...**

**We Live Holy Lives** (Read Col. 3:12f)

(Read - Lev. 20:26; Eph. 1:4; Eph. 5:27; I Peter 1:15-16.) Being Holy does not mean that we are sinless. It means that we are striving to separate ourselves from the world. As Christians, we are putting away our “old man” our old sinful way of life and putting on the “new man” of living for Christ. As long as we are in the flesh we will sin but that is not our desire. This is what John is talking about in **I John 1:8-10, 2:1**

Paul mentions three areas we are to live Holy Lives.

**Holiness In Families** (Read Col. 3:18-21)

**Holiness At Work** (Read Col. 3:22-25; 4:1)

**Holiness In World** (Read Col. 4:2-6)

### **Slide 3**

#### **Christ Is Our Life**

##### **If We...**

|                            |  |
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| Have Been Raised With Him! | Been Baptized For<br>Remission of Sins                                   |
| Have Put Off The Old Man!  | Put To Death the Old<br>Sinful Way of Life                               |
| Have Put On the New Man!   | Alive In Christ Doing<br>His Will  |
| Are Living a Holy Life     | Living For Christ in All<br>Aspects of Our Life –<br>Family, Work, World |

### **Slide 4**

“Is Christ Your Life?”

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