

## Questions to Consider—Lesson 13—Colossians 3:5-7—Putting Sin To Death! (Part 1)

1. (a) Read Colossians 3:1-9. Compare this list of evil deeds with Romans 1:29-31; 1 Corinthians 5:11; 6:9-10; Galatians 5:19-21; and Ephesians 5:3-5. (b) Which of these deeds listed in these other passages are similar to those listed in Colossians? (c) Which of them are different?

2. Memorize Colossians 3:5.

3. (a) Why is it necessary that we “put to death” our sin according to Romans 6:6; 8:13; Galatians 5:24; and Ephesians 5:3-6? (b) What are we to be doing with our “members” instead? See Romans 6:13.

4. (a) Paul says we are to put to death our sins. How does Jesus communicate the same idea in Matthew 5:27-30? (b) Do you think Jesus intends for us to take His words literally? (c) Why or why not?

5. (a) Name the sinner and the sin in the following passages. Also, describe the manner in which God’s wrath was shown on each sinner mentioned? (Note: these should fall under one of the sins listed in Colossians 3:5.) Genesis 19:15-29; 2 Samuel 11:1-17 with 12:13, 14; Acts 5:1-11; 1 Corinthians 5:1-8. (b) What does this teach you about sin and its consequences?

6. (a) According to Ephesians 6:11-18, how are we as believers to fight against sin? (You should find several ways listed here.) (b) How could you use Ephesians 6:11-18 to help yourself or someone else in waging war against one of the sins mentioned in Colossians 3:5? List some practical things you could do.

7. (a) Have you put to death the 5 sins Paul mentions in Colossians 3:5? (b) If not, why not? (c) What will you do about it? (I would encourage you to confess your sin before God and any you have sinned against. Then determine to repent. Also, you might consider asking someone to hold you accountable.)

8. (a) Based on what you have learned in this lesson, how would you counsel a professing Christian who is engaged in one of the sins listed in Colossians 3:5? (b) If they refused to repent, what would you do?

9. (a) Is there an area of sin (not necessarily one Paul mentions) which the Spirit of God is challenging you to “put to death?” Perhaps it is spiritual pride, selfishness, lack of submission to husband, anger, etc. (b) How may we pray for you? Please write it down to share with your group.

\*\*Recommended Reading—The Vanishing Conscience—by John MacArthur