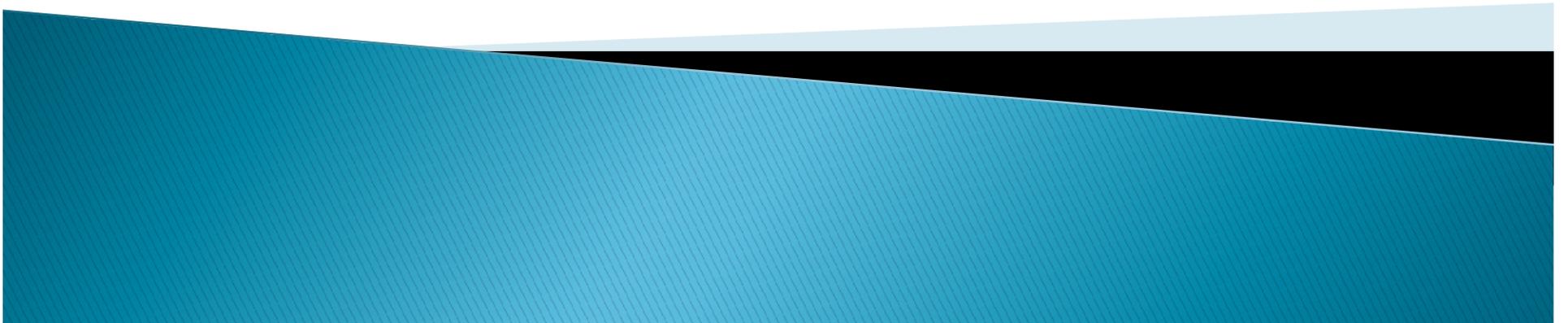


Colossians 3:5-11

Renewed Life in Christ



Dead to Covetousness

- ▶ V5 – Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.
- ▶ Immorality – specifically, sexual sins (porneia)
- ▶ Impurity – unholiness (where purity = holiness)
- ▶ Passion – shameful, vile or evil passions
- ▶ Evil desires – wishes for things opposed to God
- ▶ Greed – materialism – a desire for more



The Wrath of God

- ▶ V6 – For it is because of these things that the wrath of God will come upon the sons of disobedience,
- ▶ God's wrath is His righteous anger at sin and the resulting punishment (Hell)



Our New Walk

- ▶ V7 – and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them.
- ▶ Those who belong to Christ no longer walk in these ways



Put Aside Anger

- ▶ V8 – But now you also, put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth.
 - ▶ Anger – hostility, antagonism, animosity
 - ▶ Wrath – extreme anger, fury
 - ▶ Malice – mean-spirited, nasty, hateful
 - ▶ Slander – malicious lying, libel, insulting
 - ▶ Abusive speech – Like slander but without the lying
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Put Aside Lying

- ▶ V9a – Do not lie to one another,
- ▶ John 8:44
 - You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies.



You Are Being Renewed

- ▶ V9b-10 – since you laid aside the old self with its evil practices, and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him



Being Renewed = Valued

- ▶ V11 – a renewal in which there is no distinction between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and freeman, but Christ is all, and in all.
- ▶ He is all:
 - ▶ has become all that is important in life
- ▶ He is in all:
 - ▶ He indwells all who are His



What it Means

- ▶ Two lists– what it looks like to live for earthly things
 - Centered on covetousness and anger.
- ▶ Self discipline and a life of holiness
 - The expected response to the Person and work of Christ.