

whatever you do in word or in deed,  
do everything in the name of  
the Lord Jesus,

*giving thanks*

through Him to God the Father.

Colossians 3:17 NASB



*The New Perspective In Everyday Life*

Colossians 3:5-17

Series: *Jesus: Supreme & Sufficient* (Colossians, #8)

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Theme: **Your view perspective should lead to Christ-like living.**

**The motivation for Christ-like living.**

1. One negative motivation. (6)
2. A handful of positive motivation. (9-15)

**The mandate of Christ-like living.**

1. Three negatives to eliminate. (5, 8, 9)
2. Two handfuls of positives to develop. (12-16)

## In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

**Monday.** Read Colossians 3:5-17. Think about the motivation for Christ-like living, the negative motivation of sin arousing God's wrath (verse 5). Even though as a believer you will not face the final judgment of God's wrath (see also Romans 5:9; Colossians 3:3; 1 Thessalonians 1:10, 5:9), God does discipline us—read Hebrews 12:4-11.

**Tuesday.** Today we move to the positive motivation for Christ-like living. There is a handful of positive motivation in this section. Read verses 10, 12 (there are two here), 13 and 15 to find the five. Found them? Now write these out on a card or page under the title "Positive Motivation To Live Like Christ Today." Refer to it throughout the day.

**Wednesday.** Now we come to some specific examples of living like Christ. The lists here are not exhaustive, but give us a good deal to think about and act on. We begin with the negatives. There are three negatives to eliminate in verses 5, 8 and 9. Review those. Are there some you need to face squarely and then take action? If so, do that now.

**Thursday.** Verses 12-16 list two handfuls or ten positive things to develop that are part of living like Christ. — that's a long list! Review it. Ask God to point out the ones that He wants you to grow in now. Keep them in front of you, focus on them in your prayer time, and note the growth God gives you in the days and weeks to come.

**Friday/Saturday.** Advent begins on Sunday. We will return to Colossians after Christmas. During Advent we will look at the question "Why did Jesus Come?" based in Hebrews chapter 2 verse 5-18. Read these verses as you prepare for Sunday. We plan to start with *Jesus came to be our Substitute.*