

# **STUDY GUIDE: KNOWING JESUS**

## **“Living New” (Colossians 3:1-17)**

### **Discussion Starters**

1. What changed in you when you came to the Lord?
2. What still needs to change in you?

**Study:** Read Colossians 3:1-17 in preparation for the following questions.

3. To complete the next section of the study guide, you will need to use a Bible Dictionary. Remember, the words listed below are from the NASU, but the word you are trying to define is the Greek word translated by the NASU—NOT the English word. If you have any questions about how to use these tools, contact your group leader or one of the pastoral staff.

Define the following words or terms.

- “seeking” (Colossians 3:1)—
- “immorality” (Colossians 3:5)—
- “impurity” (Colossians 3:5)—
- “passion” (Colossians 3:5)—
- “anger” (Colossians 3:8)—
- “wrath” (Colossians 3:8)—
- “true knowledge” (Colossians 3:10)—
- “patience” (Colossians 3:12)—
- “bearing with” (Colossians 3:13)—
- “rule” (Colossians 3:15)—

4. Choose one of the words you looked up above, and write how understanding the meaning and background of that word better helped you understand this passage.

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5. What does “Therefore” refer to in 3:1?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. What does “seated at the right hand of God” (3:1) mean? Does this mean Christ is not God?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. In what way is our life “hidden” with Christ (3:3)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. Why is “passion” something to be put to death (3:5)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
9. Describe a “holy” person today (3:12). HINT: The answer is in this passage.

**Taking It Home** (You won’t be able to answer these questions without first answering the questions above.)

10. Explain as to a new Christian exactly how to “put to death” the things listed in 3:5).
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
11. How do you “put aside” anger, wrath, malice, slander and abusive speech (3:8)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
12. In your life, what do you need to apply 3:17 to? (Be specific)