

Jesus' Present Ministry: Implications for Our Spiritual Transformation

Most of us understand that when it comes to our life in Christ, we have not arrived. We know that there is a need to continue to experience spiritual transformation. We struggle with things like anger, or lying, or greed, or impurity. And we know that we are to be more loving, and kind, and patient, and pure than we are right now. But how do we get there? Do we just try harder? Today, as we look at Colossians 3:1-4, we will see an approach that works – having a mindset that is focused on Christ who sits at the right hand of God. This is one of the implications of Jesus' present ministry at God's right hand.

Opening Question: What is an area of your life in which you are most aware of a need for transformation?

Read Colossians 3:1-4

1. What are the commands in this passage?
2. What are the "the things above" (v. 1, 2)? What are "the things that are on earth" (v. 2)?
3. What do you think it means to "keep seeking" and to "set your mind" on the things above? How do we do this?
4. What does Paul say is true of the believer in Christ (vv. 3-4)? And how does understanding these truths help one experience spiritual transformation?

