



Week #3: Jesus is King of My Actions

Big Idea: I win the race that God has set before me by _____.

Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth.

Colossians 3:1-2 (NLT)

- **When Jesus is King of my actions, it empowers** _____.

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Romans 12.2 (NLT)

- **When Jesus is King of my actions, it empowers** _____.

So put to death the sinful, earthly things lurking within you. Have nothing to do with sexual immorality, impurity, lust, and evil desires. Don't be greedy, for a greedy person is an idolater, worshiping the things of this world. Because of these sins, the anger of God is coming. You used to do these things when your life was still part of this world. But now is the time to get rid of anger, rage, malicious behavior, slander, and dirty language. Don't lie to each other, for you have stripped off your old sinful nature and all its wicked deeds. Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him.

Colossians 3:5-10 (NLT)

Therefore if anyone is in Christ [that is, grafted in, joined to Him by faith in Him as Savior], he is a new creature [reborn and renewed by the Holy Spirit]; the old things [the previous moral and spiritual condition] have passed away. Behold, new things have come [because spiritual awakening brings a new life].

2 Corinthians 5:17 (AMP)

- **When Jesus is King of my actions, it empowers me to _____.**

Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony.

Colossians 3:12-14 (NLT)

- **When Jesus is King of my actions, the result is a race with _____.**

And whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through him to God the Father.

Colossians 3:17 (NLT)

Discussion Questions

1. What is one way you've changed since finding and following Jesus?
2. Read Colossians 3: 1-11. What does Paul teach about the Jesus followers' position in Christ?
3. What actions did Paul say to put off, and what does each of them mean?

Recommended Resources

- *Necessary Endings*, by Dr. Henry Cloud
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- *Make Your Bed*, by Admiral William H. McRaven

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Colossians 3:1-2 (NLT)

- **When Jesus is King of my actions, it empowers the right mindset.**

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Romans 12.2 (NLT)

- **When Jesus is King of my actions, it empowers necessary endings.**

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Colossians 3:12-14 (NLT)

- **When Jesus is King of my actions, the result is a race with focus and intentionality.**

And whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through him to God the Father.

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