



Colossians

OUT WITH THE OLD

KEY SCRIPTURE | Colossians 3:1–10

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DISCUSSION GUIDE

I know, I get it, putting something to death, in general, just sounds like it should be a bad thing, we instantly think of the death of a beloved childhood pet or maybe a lifelong dream, or worse. It has to be bad, right? But what if putting something to death was actually good or beneficial? Further, what if it was necessary?

This week we continued our study in Colossians 3 and picked up Paul's idea of "putting to death" our old earthly nature. We saw that this is an absolute must for those who have died to self and subsequently risen to new life with Christ. While this is a significant Biblical truth, carrying it out in real life can be a bit more difficult, to say the least.

I really believe this week's discussion will be beneficial as you wrestle with the issue at hand and then encourage each other in your own struggles. In the day-to-day Christian life, this is where the rubber hits the road.

QUESTIONS

1. What were your initial overall thoughts or ideas following this particular message? What stood out to you?
2. Have you ever considered the severity of the idea that some things actually need to be "put to death"? Explain your answer.
3. Paul was pretty direct about immediately addressing sins of a sexual nature. What might be different reasons for that?
4. Regarding application, we talked about the process of yield, confess, repent, repeat (daily). Are there any steps that you might add? Explain.
5. Is there a particular step that stood out to you or, is there a particular step that is more difficult for you?
6. In your group, how can you encourage each other in this process in the coming weeks?
7. What will be your takeaway from this lesson?

CHALLENGE

Every day this week, work through steps 1–3.

