I. Introduction.

A. When a seed dies to itself it bears great fruit.

B. There is always an advantage in the Bible when something dies to itself.

C. Your life is hid with Christ.

III. Things to put off and on.

A. Immorality to put off: moral uncleanness, immoral passion, evil desires, covetousness and...

1. Anger.

2. Fowl talk.

B. Things to put on:

1. A compassionate heart.

2. Kindness.

3. Lowliness.

4. Meekness.

IV. The Word of Christ is to dwell richly in the believers. (Colossians 3:16)

A. Corporately the Bible must be the guide of the church in faith and practice.

1. In materials.

2. In care groups.

3. In worship.

B. Individually the Bible must be a part of the life.

1. Rich abundance implies an overflow.

2. We should hear, read, study, memorize then meditate on the Word of God but not all at once. (Colossian 3:23)

3. The Bible is our manual for life. (Psalm 1)
Application questions

1. What does the man look like that has Christ as his life?

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2. What are the different ways a person can get into God’s Word?

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3. What does your involvement in the Word look like? What might you plan to do differently this week to keep it fresh or start it up?

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