

POWER UP



The New Self Colossians 3:1-11

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1. Seek the heavenly (1-4).

2. Slay the earthly. (5-9).

3. Select the new (10-11).

taking it home

{ notes for small group,
family & personal study

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keeping it real

1 Think about “Spring Cleaning” and the task of getting rid of stuff that clutters your life and home. Discuss why you get rid of it and how easy or difficult it is for you to do so.

look at the book

2 Review and discuss the following parallel passages in Scripture in order to further cement these truths in your heart.

seek the heavenly Philippians 4:8
slay the earthly Romans 12:2
strengthen the new 2 Timothy 3:16-17

3 The New Self undergoes sanctification—the lifelong, ongoing process of becoming more Christ-like in one’s attitudes and behaviors. Discuss how you would explain 2 Corinthians 3:18 to a new believer. Be sure to use actual examples from your own life!

the next step

4 “Being renewed” (v. 10) is in the present tense, implying a continuous process of renewal. Be transparent within your group and share the areas where you are succeeding—and rejoice together; but also share the areas of your life that could use some spring cleaning—and then pray for each other. Now commit yourself this week to a plan to rid yourself of at least one “old self” behavior.

{ my next step this week is to:

- Memorize Colossians 3:1.
- Identify one “earthly” vice and “slay” it!
- Reflect my new self by serving with Touched Twice, Saturday, April 28.
- Other _____