



Today: “Mortification of Sin”

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹ Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Colossians 3:5-11

MORTIFICATION: We get our word *mortician* from the root.

“The Christian is committed to a lifelong fight against the world, the flesh, and the devil. Mortification is his assault on the second.”

J. I. Packer in God’s Words

What is it? Putting sin to death. Have a **FUNERAL** for **SIN** in your life!

Not just a one-time event, but a **CONTINUAL ONE** on the road to glory.

Sin is **EARTHLY**. It doesn’t belong in God’s eternal **KINGDOM**.

Sins like: Sexual immorality, **IMPURITY**, passion, evil desire, and

COVETOUSNESS too (because it’s a form of **IDOLATRY**)

WARNING: God will pour out his **WRATH** in the coming days. He will not tolerate sin.

While sin is endemic of humanity, believers in Christ must now **PUT THEM ALL AWAY**:

STRIP OFF anger, wrath, **MALICE**, slander, obscene **TALK**, lying

RENEWAL: take off the **OLD** clothes and put on the **NEW** ones!

Be renewed in your Creator’s **IMAGE**!

In **CHRIST** all the barriers are down: Christ is **ALL**, and in all!