# THE IMPERATIVE FOR THE CHANGED LIFE

## COLOSSIANS 3:1-17

1. **A FEW NOTES ON THE OVER ALL MECHANICS OF THIS SECTION (3:1-17)**
	1. There Are Three Strategic Occurrences Of "Then" / "Therefore"

		1. Each One Triggers A New Thought Though They Build On Each Other
		2. Taken Together, They Teach That Christian Sanctification Is A Series Of Successive Steps That Progress Toward A Goal
	2. Some Of The Specific Arenas Of Change Regarding Various Roles In Life Are Then Listed & Expanded Upon (3:18-25)

		1. It Affects Wives
		2. It Affects Husbands
		3. It Affects Children
		4. It Affects Parenting
		5. It Affects The Work Day World (Employers & Employees)
2. **THE FACT THAT GENUINE CHRISTIANITY IS THE EVIDENCE OF A CHANGED LIFE IS EVERYWHERE TAUGHT IN THE N.T.**
	1. Pauline Epistles (Hebrews)
	2. Peter, James & John
3. **PAUL PROVIDES AN EXTENSIVE LIST OF BOTH NEGATIVE & POSITIVE CHANGES THAT ALMOST ALL RELIGIONS & CULTURES RECOGNIZE AS DESIRABLE BUT WHICH CANNOT ATTAIN TO**
	1. Negatives (3:5-9)
	2. Positives (3:12-17)