** Lesson 11:**

An Actually Spiritual Person

*Colossians 3:1-17*

**Determine to value spiritual things (vs. 1-4).**

* By seeking things above (v. 1)
* By setting your mind on things above (v. 2).
* By seeing why things above are valuable (vs. 3-4).
  + You are alive in Jesus (v. 1, 3a).
  + Your life is Jesus (vs. 3b-4).
  + You will be glorified with Jesus (v. 4b).

**Determine to leave your sin in the past (vs. 5-9).**

* By dying to these (v. 5):
  + Fornication: A lifestyle of sexual sin
  + Uncleanness: Dirty thinking, words, or actions
  + Sinful Affections: Uncontrolled, ungodly desires
  + Evil Desires: Our ungodly impulses and motives
  + Covetousness (idolatry): An inappropriate desire for more; desiring earthly things more than God Himself.
* By remembering this (vs. 6-7, 9b):
  + This lifestyle brings God's wrath.
  + This lifestyle belongs to the rebels.
  + This lifestyle was once yours.
* By taking off these (vs. 8-9).
  + Anger: A feeling of displeasure
  + Wrath: A passionate outburst of that displeasure
  + Malice: A evil desire to harm others
  + Blasphemy: Speaking slanderously about others
  + Filthy Communication: Abusive, corrupt language
  + Lying: Purposefully violating the truth for personal reasons

**Determine to embrace your life in Christ (vs. 10-14)**

* Continually learning about spiritual things (v. 10)
* Gladly embracing unity in body of Christ (v. 11).
* Consistently putting on spiritual attributes (vs. 12-14).
  + In your individual life, put on these:
    - Compassion: Genuine concern for others
    - Kindness: Showing God’s goodness to others
    - Humility: Setting pride aside and honoring God and others
    - Meekness: Not being impressed with our own self-importance
    - Longsuffering: Being gentle and patient with others.
  + In your corporate life, put on these:
    - Forbearance: Willingness to patiently bear with others.
    - Forgiveness: Choosing not to bitterly hold wrongs against each other.
  + In all of this, put on love.
* At all times, be characterized by these:
  + The peace of God
  + The gratitude of Christians
  + The truth of the Gospel (taught and praised)

**Determine to be characterized by spiritual fruit (vs. 15-16)**

* Letting Christ's peace rule.
* Letting appropriate gratitude continue.
* Letting Christ's truth be platformed.
  + Through excellent teaching.
  + Through fervent singing and praise.

**Determine to commit ever action to the Lordship of Jesus (vs. 17)**

* Every word should be spoken for Jesus.
* Every action should be done for Jesus.
* All thanks should be directed to Jesus.

*Christian, believe this:*

*Jesus is above all; Jesus is always enough.*

**Prayer**

**Scripture**: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Ephesians 4:22-24

**College Student of the Week**: Meg Wiley

* Freshman year at BJU
* Homework/Project Season
* Recent sickness

**Single Focus/Cross Impact Requests:**

* Cross Impact IUPUI
* Single Focus
* Purdue Cross Impact Efforts at Purdue & UIndy

**Specific Requests:**

* Dornbirers’ dad continued cancer journey
* John Barfield in Lebanon
* Jack and Kendall Elms in military training/service
* Henry’s unsaved friend Jeff
* Joseph LaPointe’s back and spirit
* Trevor’s need for a second job and community at Indiana State
* Jessica’s Unsaved friend in Mormonism

**Announcements:**

* December 4- Sunday Night Fellowship at the Klingerman’s Home
* December 10- Christkindlemarkt Hangout in Carmel (starting @ 3:00pm)
* December 21- Christmas Party

