

February 11, 2018
Colossians 3:15-17

The Centrality of Christ and the Christian Life

The Peace of Christ v. 15

*Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts...
(Colossians 1:20-21; John 14:27)*

It is NOT a subjective feeling.

***“God’s peace will never lead you to do something that
God’s Will and God’s Word forbid!”***

You were called to peace

Be thankful

The Message of Christ v. 16

Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly...

***“The peace of Christ will not rule in your heart if the
message of Christ does not dwell there!”***

Teaching & admonishing (warning)

Psalms, hymns and songs from the Spirit

Singing with thankfulness

The Name of Christ v. 17

Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus...

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(2 Corinthians 10:5)

Everything – in word or deed

Giving Thanks

(1 Thessalonians 5:18)

The “secret” to a spiritual life is to keep your life (your heart, your mind, your actions) focused on Jesus Christ and pleasing him!

Questions for Discussion

1. Have you ever heard a Christian say, “well, I have peace about it”? What were they talking about?
2. What can you do to ensure that the message of Christ (God’s Word) is at home in your life?
3. Why do you think “the peace of Christ will not rule in your life if the message of Christ doesn’t dwell there”?
4. What things make you feel “at home” somewhere? How can we make God’s Word be “at home” in our lives?
5. What role should gratitude play in our lives and why is it so important to God (cf. vv. 16-17)?