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Colossians 3:5-7

Kill Sin in Your Body

Position vs. Practice

There is a difference between our position and our practice.

Positionally, we...

Died with Christ (Romans 6)

Been buried with Christ

Been raised with Christ

Were seated with Christ in heaven (Eph. 1)

Are a new creation in Christ (2 Cor. 5:17)

Are credited with the righteousness of Jesus

Christ (2 Corinthians 5:21)

Practically, we...

Still sin (1 John 1:8-10)

Live in unredeemed bodies (Romans 8:22-23)

Just because our bodies are unredeemed does not make them evil!

We must choose to give our bodies to God for good and to do what is right or to give them to do what is evil (Romans 6:11-14).

God is pleased when we present our bodies to him as a living sacrifice (Romans 12:1-2).

There is a struggle between our position and our practice.

Romans 7:14-25

There is a promise that our practice will (one day) match our position.

1 John 3:1-3

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Not killing people – not asceticism

Don't play with sin – KILL IT!

Kill immorality (Galatians 5:19; Ephesians 5:3;

Kill impurity (Matthew 5:21-22, 28; 1 Peter 1:15)

Kill passion and evil desire

Kill Greed (Ephesians 4:18-19)

WHY?

God's wrath comes because of these. 6

These things belong to your old life. 7

Ephesians 4:17; 1 Peter 4:2-4; Romans 6;

Questions for Discussion

1. Why do you think it is important to remember what our position is in Christ?
2. How might remembering our position in Christ help us in living the life God wants us to live?
3. Our world is inundated with sin (immorality, impurity, etc.) how can a follower of Jesus keep away from it all?
4. Why is it so important for believers to kill sin in their physical bodies (i.e. get rid of it)?
5. What does it mean to you that even the Apostle Paul struggled to do what is right (Romans 7:14-25)?