

Moving Forward in the Christian Life *(Colossians 3)*

As Christians devoted and surrendered to Jesus Christ, we must look to this new year of 2020 and dedicate ourselves to moving forward in our Christian life. So far this year we have been instructed to trust in God's faithfulness, to move forward in our mission ingathering people for God's kingdom, and to live in success and courage by God's standards. We now take the next step in discovering together how biblical realities give us a new mindset, and then show us the way to have this new mindset, and finally the call for us to Move Forward in obedience in our Christian life.

1. For us to Move Forward in our Christian life, "our mindset must be _____ God reveals to us."

- a. The reality of God
- b. Christ is at God's right hand
- c. Death is left behind
- d. Christ will appear
- e. Our glory to come

2. For us to Move Forward in our Christian life, "our mindset _____ to the realities God reveals to us"

The Facts – the realities we just discovered. (Philippians 2:5) (Romans 6:3-4) (Galatians 2:20)

The In-Christ Focus (Mindset)- Vs. 1-2: Be shaped on your way of thinking, your emotional life, your pattern of attitudes, and responses, your preferences in people and entertainment, and clothes, and jobs, and leisure. Totally setting your heart and mind on God's realities.

When we seek the Kingdom we seek the King!

When we seek the Kingdom we seek to learn from the King.

When we seek the Kingdom we seek the Kings authority and power in our lives.

When we seek the Kingdom we seek to obey the King.

3. For us to Move Forward in our Christ life, "Our mindset must be _____ to live the life God calls us to live"

The In-Christ Funeral - Vs. 3, 5-9

When Christ died on the cross I died with Him. Vs. 3, therefore, I should put to death the things of the old life

Therefore, clothe yourselves based on the His realities.

***The In-Christ Future - Vs. 4 (There is no conclusion!)
When Christ appears in glory, we appear with Him.***