

“Waging War Against Sin”

Colossians 3:5-11

September 16, 2018

The Central Idea...

Living our new life in Christ requires a new attitude toward sin and a focus on the priority of our identity in Christ.

Three Commands in Our War Against Sin

1. Put sin to _____ (v. 5)
2. Put sin _____ (v. 8)
3. Do not _____ to one another (v. 9a)

Three Truths in Our War Against Sin

1. God’s _____ is coming because of sin (v. 6)
2. A sinful lifestyle is part of your _____ (v. 7)
3. You have put off the old _____ and put on the new _____ (v. 9b-11)

How to Wage War Against Sin

1. Submit yourself to God/Deny self
 - a. Romans 6:12-13
 - b. Romans 12:1-2
 - c. Luke 9:23
2. Accept that the battle never ends (in this life)
 - a. Romans 8:12-13
 - b. 1 Corinthians 10:12-13
3. Make no provision for the flesh
 - a. Romans 13:14
 - b. 1 John 1:9
 - c. 2 Timothy 2:22-23
4. Saturate your mind with the Word
 - a. Colossians 3:16
 - b. 2 Timothy 3:16-17
 - c. Psalm 119:9-11
 - d. Hebrews 4:12-13
5. Replace sin with righteous behavior
 - a. Ephesians 4:17-32
 - b. Colossians 3:5-4:1
6. Remember your identity in Christ
 - a. Romans 6:5-19
 - b. Colossians 3:1-4
 - c. 2 Corinthians 5:14-21
 - d. 2 Corinthians 3:18
7. Identify and repent of idols in your life
 - a. 1 John 5:21
 - b. 1 Corinthians 10:14
 - c. Psalm 139:23-24

Community Group Discussion

For the Week of September 16, 2018

1. What is one thing you from Sunday's sermon you hope we talk about as a group?
2. Discuss one or two of the ways to wage war against sin.
3. In addition to the ones listed, what are some other biblical ways to wage war against sin?
4. What are the reasons we are so prone to give in to sinful temptations instead of waging war against sin?
5. How do the idols of our heart impact our daily lives?
 - a. How can we best identify and deal with the idols of our heart?
6. Spend time in prayer as a group praying for:
 - a. Victory over sin issues in your lives.
 - b. A more reverent fear of the Lord.
 - c. A greater desire for God's Word to richly dwell in you.
 - d. A greater desire to behold the glory of God in Jesus Christ.