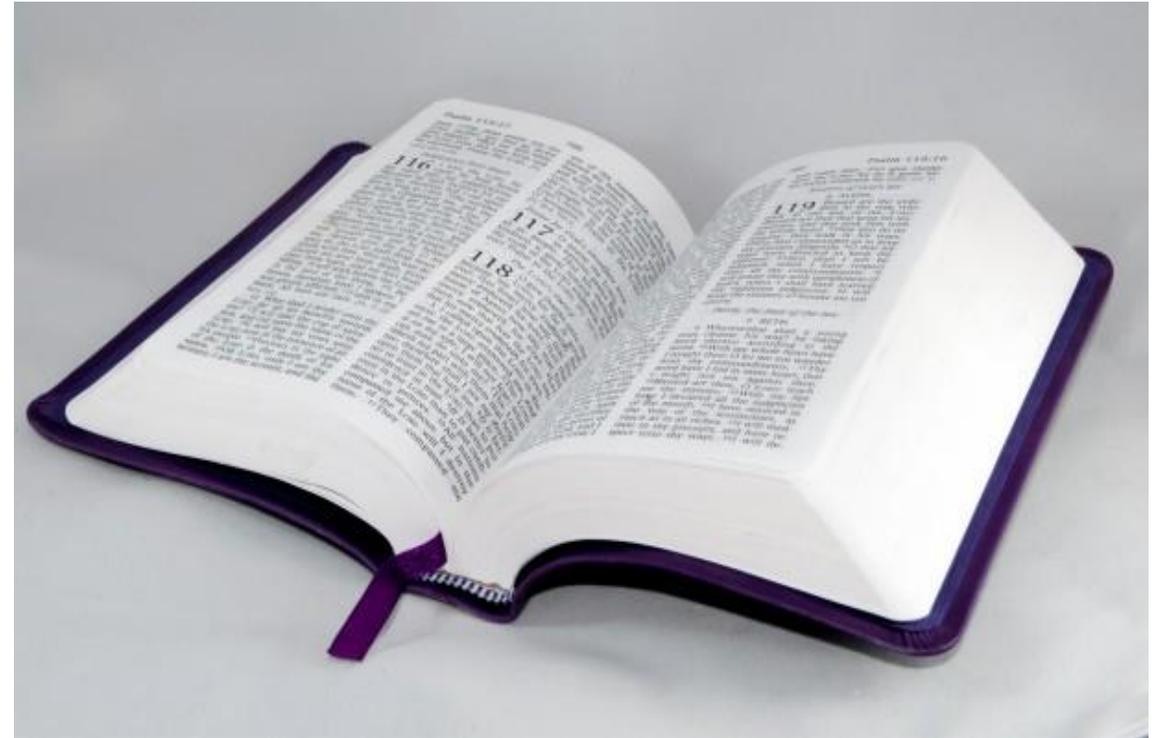
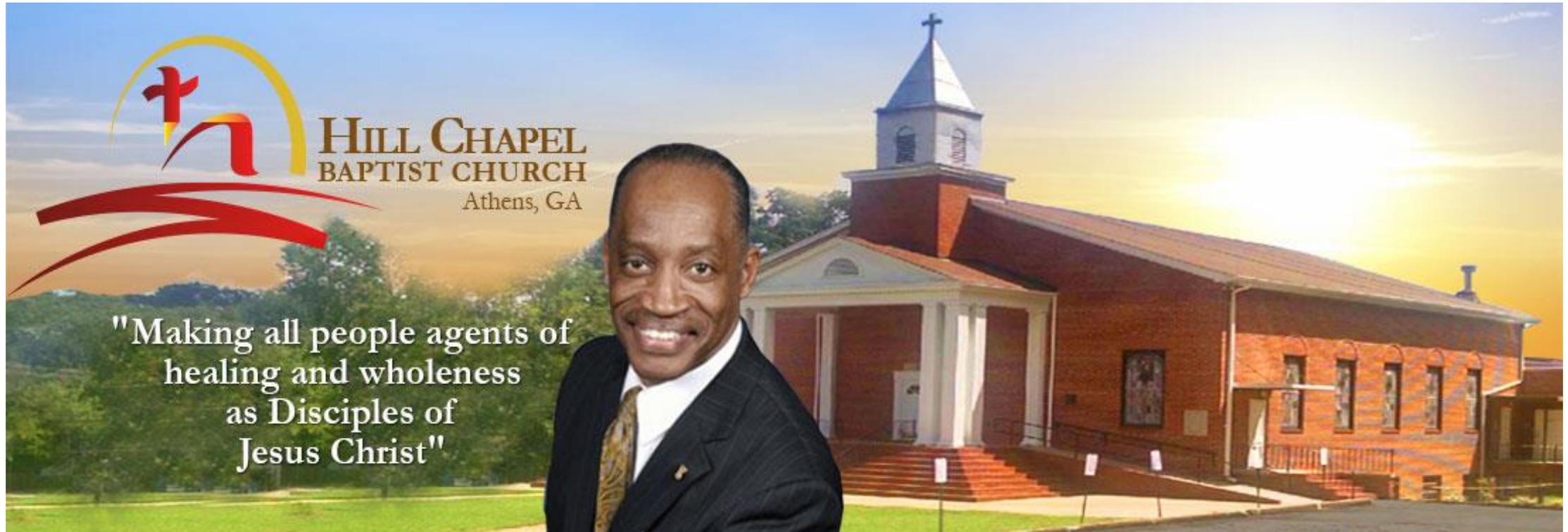


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LESSON 8

Victorious Christian Living (Colossians 3:1-11)



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Colossians 3:5-9

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Looking Like a Christian



What does the life of a Christian look like?
When people see you, should they see a Christian?
When people see you, do you think they see a Christian (for self reflection)?

- How so?
- How not so?
 - What you gonna do about it?

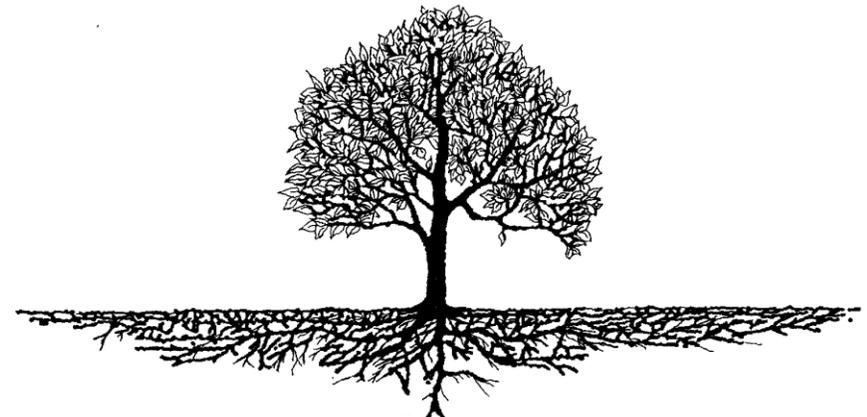


THE TEXT

The first two chapters, of Colossians were more doctrinal messages that will keep us from becoming all that God wants us to be.

- I. *Exposing false teaching*
- II. *Exposing philosophies*

In the last two chapters, Paul is directed by God to give us practical application of these doctrines.



Rooted in Jesus

VICTORIOUS LIVING

How do you feel after you have overcome a difficulty, a test, or a trial?



STEPS TO VICTORIOUS CHRISTIAN LIVING

Colossians 3:1-4

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on Holy
Things

Colossians 3:5-9

Eliminate
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Colossians 3:10-11

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... raised with Christ...

winners - victors
Over what?



... things above...

What things?

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. (Romans 12:2a)

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*For you died,
-to the power of sin*



... life is now hidden ...

Hidden from what ?

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Kill the sinful things lurking inside of you

impurity

lust

sexual immorality

evil desires

greed

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Kill the sinful things lurking inside of you
- Sexual sins -

sexual immorality or fornication - any type of sex outside of marriage

impurity or uncleanness – dirty speech, gestures, impure thoughts

lust or inordinate affection – those things that causes you to lust

evil desires – wanting to do something sinister or vile

greed or covetousness which is idolatry

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anger – deep, smoldering, emotions

rage – wrath, anger let loose

malice – evil intent

slander, to injure or defame with speech - lies, gossip, or rumors

filthy language – crude, abrasive obscene, dirty language

Do not lie to each other – deliberate untruth or half-truth

STEP 3. EMULATE CHRIST

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Sanctification

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Let's talk about it

- ✓ What goes through your mind when you hear the word?
- ✓ What does this mean?
- ✓ Is this important?
- ✓ Do you resist it?



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