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# Discussion Questions

Week of: May 17, 2026 // Sermon Text: Colossians 3:1-15

## Sermon Overview

If you have been joined to Christ, live out this new reality.

- I. (1-4) Grounded Command: Shift your gaze because you are joined to Christ
- II. (5-11) Shift your gaze by putting your old, earthly self to death.
- III. (12-15) Shift your gaze by putting on godliness

## Ice Breaker

What is a moment you can look back on that changed your life forever?

## Digging Deeper

1. This passage commands us to shift our gaze to things above. **What does *your* gaze tend to settle on (or what do you tend to focus on) that you need to shift it away from?**
2. Quietly reflect on the sins in verses 5, 8-9. **Are there any you continue to struggle with and hope to change?**
3. **What would you say to a Christian who looks at these commands and says, "But that's just the way I am!" (i.e., "I just have a short fuse")?**
4. None of us - even the most mature Christians - properly shift our gaze away from the world all the time. **When we fail, where can we find encouragement?**  
*Leader Note: God's Word (maybe even ask where in this passage), God's people (maybe even our Gospel Community), God's way (disciplines, practices).*
5. God expects us to live out our Christian reality in community. **What ways can you engage with your church and Gospel Community to help you keep your eyes fixed on Jesus?**

6. Which of the traits of godliness in verses 12-15 do you need to “put on” and let into your life more (or shift your gaze to)?

## Prayer