

Great job on continuing through to Lesson 3 of **How to Study the Bible**. As a next step in applying what you learned, take a look at Colossians 3:1-4 and complete two steps to Observing a passage:

- 1. Observe the sentences and words
- 2. Interpret the Passage of Scripture (using the 4 C's from this week's study)

To complete this exercise you could:

- Print this out and use a pencil or a pen as you follow the suggestions below
- Write out this passage in your journal, marking it up as you work through it
- Make notes directly on this passage in your Bible

If you don't have any of the tools we discussed, a good Study Bible can help tremendously, and websites like <u>blueletterbible.org</u> and <u>biblegateway.com</u> can also be good resources.

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Colossians 3:1-4 (NIV)

The 4 C's

- 1. Context (Literary & Surrounding Text)
- 2. Culture and Background (Author & Audience)
- 3. Content
- 4. Comparison