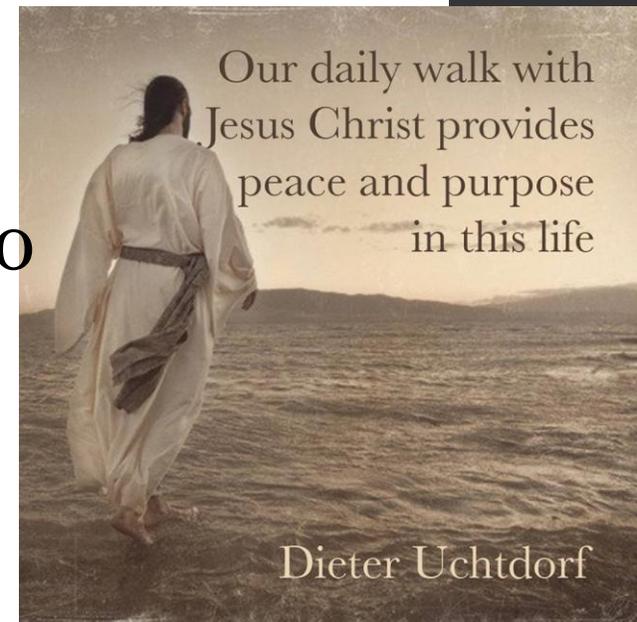


# Our New Life part 3— Daily Word and Deed

Colossians 3:16-17

# Our New Life in Christ (Colossians 3)

- We are called to **put off** our old self and to **put on** Christ, but what will that look like practically in our everyday lives? What should our everyday life be like?
- Do you know **who you are** in Christ? Do your everyday words and deeds reflect who you are?

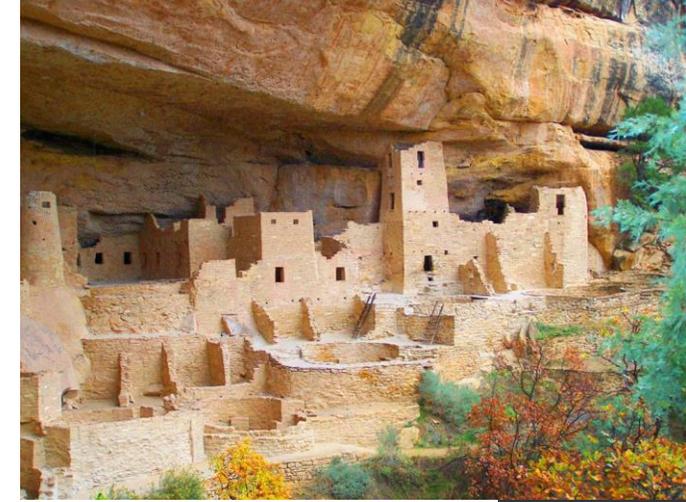


Our daily walk with  
Jesus Christ provides  
peace and purpose  
in this life

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# 1. Dwelling

- First, God wants us to “**dwell**” in His word **richly**...what does it mean?
- (Psalm 23:6) “dwelling” is not only referring to a physical stay, but a spiritual, emotional, and intellectual stay as well.
- (Psalm 1) He who dwells richly in the word of God is the one who **meditates** on God’s word day and night.
- What is dwelling in your mind and your heart?



## 2. Teaching



- Second, God wants us to **teach** and **admonish** one another (v.16) with **wisdom**.
- Teaching is to pass on knowledge and experience.
- Admonishing is to teach by caution and correction.
- As we dwell in the word of God, we grow in **God's wisdom** (2 Tim. 3:16-17), and God's word will flow to others through us (Eph. 5:19) with wisdom.
- Interestingly the channel for us to teach each other with is **singing**.

# 3. Singing



- There are 3 types of **songs** in here. (also Eph. 5:19)
- **Psalms**—canonical psalms which were often sung to accompaniment (i.e. God’s word)
- **Hymns**—a song of praise to God, often describing God’s character or His deeds
- **Spiritual Song**—The word “song” could refer to any type of song but the word “spiritual” is referring to our relationship with God. (i.e. we sing of our love to God or giving thanks to God)



- Primarily we are to sing to God with His words (Psalms), either directly or derived from it.

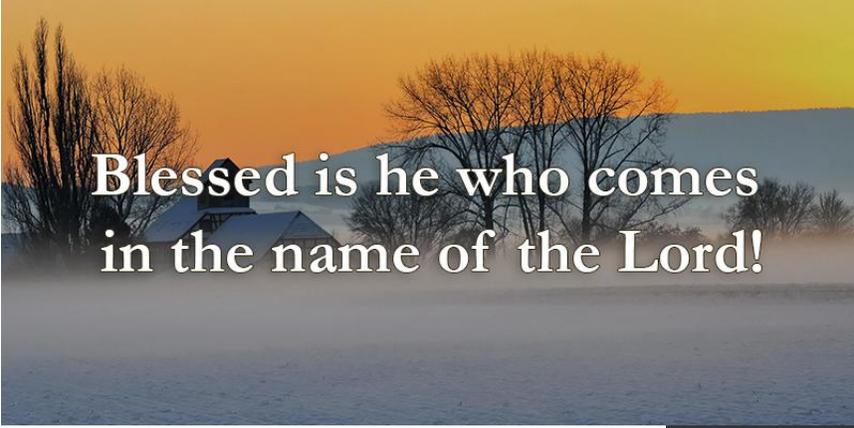


- We should also praise God and His character (hymn) and sing of our admiration and our love of God to Him (spiritual songs).
- Notice: the **style** of music is not important, rather it is the **content**. (Theology is important)
- Do the songs that we sing **align** with the word of God? Do our songs describe God's character or our admiration to Him? (and with gratitude)

(i.e. Little Brown Church in the Wildwood may be a good song, but not for the worship service.)

## 4. Doing

- What does it mean “in the **name** of the Lord Jesus”?
- It is not about doing things “for” Jesus. God does not need us to do anything “for” Him. He does not need us or the angels for anything.
- Rather we are **representing** God (Exo. 3:14) while we are walking **with Him** and as He is living in us and through us. (Gen. 17:1; Col. 2:6)



Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord!

# Words and Deeds

- How are your **words** and your **deeds** today? (see 2 Thes. 2:15-17; 1 John 3:17)
- Specifically, what will other people say when they hear your speech? Or see your daily habits and actions? Will they **glorify God** or will they determine you are a hypocrite?
- Notice: we are coming back to **thanksgiving**—always the ultimate reflection of a spiritual Christian that is growing in Christ.



# Conclusion

1. **Dwelling**—where is your heart and your mind dwelling these days?
2. **Teaching**—are you encouraging and setting an example for others?
3. **Singing**—are you glorifying God with His words, His deeds, and our praise to Him?
4. **Doing**—are you testifying God with our words and deeds?

Thanksgiving is the reflection of all these.

