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Resolved: Pursuing Lasting Change The Believer's Clothing

Colossians 3:5–11 (CSB)

Therefore, put to death what belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desire, and greed, which is idolatry. ⁶ Because of these, God's wrath is coming upon the disobedient, ⁷ and you once walked in these things when you were living in them. ⁸ But now, put away all the following: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and filthy language from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self. You are being renewed in knowledge according to the image of your Creator. ¹¹ In Christ there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all.

1. PUT TO DEATH YOUR _____ NATURE vv 5-7

Romans 8:13 (CSB)

... because if you live according to the flesh, you are going to die. But if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

- Two broad sinful _____ are to be put to death:
Immorality
Greed
- These sins lead us into idolatry.
- God's _____ comes against those who choose not to put to death the flesh.

John 3:36 (CSB)

The one who believes in the Son has eternal life, but the one who rejects the Son will not see life; instead, the wrath of God remains on him.

2. GET RID OF THE RELATIONSHIP PATTERNS OF THE _____ SELF vv 8-9

- Like dirty clothes at the end of the day, put off the following:

Wrath

Malice

Filthy language

3. LIVE OUT YOUR _____ NATURE vv 10-11

2 Corinthians 5:17 (CSB)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, and see, the new has come!

- Our new nature brings new _____.
- Our new nature removes human barriers:
Greek or _____
Circumcision or uncircumcision
Barbarian or Scythian
_____ or free man

The Next Step:

As an authentic follower of Jesus, do away with the old nature and take on the new nature we have in Christ.