

## Grow

Energizing Cycle: Know, Grow, Show

Knowledge sets the direction, growing fuels the journey, showing makes it meaningful.

- <sup>1</sup> Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. <sup>3</sup> For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.
- <sup>5</sup> Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. <sup>6</sup> Because of these, the wrath of God is coming.
- <sup>7</sup> You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. <sup>8</sup> But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have put on the new self, which is **being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.** <sup>11</sup> Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

Here's the remedy: Col 3.<sup>10</sup> Each of you is now a new person. You are becoming more and more like your Creator, and you will understand him better. (CEV)

Growth is not a matter of being \_\_\_\_\_\_ but a matter of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Verses 5-8 \_\_\_\_\_ with others, Verses 12-14 \_\_\_\_ with others.

Grow: \_\_\_\_\_ with others, Verses 12-14 \_\_\_\_ and forgiveness, renew me in your image that I might wear \_\_\_\_\_ . Amen."