

PRAYER SERVICE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24th, 7PM

Join us on our <u>Facebook Page</u> at **7:00pm** for a Live Video. If you do not have Facebook, you can use this guide to pray with us on your own wherever you are and a recording of the service will be shared later.

• INTRO

Do you need a reset? Every season, every week, every day our hearts need to realign, refocus, reset: Whose Kingdom are we living for? Where are we headed? What is our heart and mind set upon? The world pulls us in so many scattered directions, but we were only ever meant to live in one direction—the narrow Way of Jesus and His Kingdom. The reset switch we need is available to us every moment in prayer and worship, and in God's Word. Today, the reset comes to us through a memorable passage in Colossians 3. With all the concerns and needs we face in our lives and in the world right now, we'll bring those to prayer through this passage that exhorts us to "set our hearts on things above." Let's pause, pray, and worship.

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 3:1-3 NIV

"Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God."

What words and phrases in this Scripture are capturing your attention? How is the Holy Spirit whispering to you heart in this moment? Pause and pray.

SONG

"Way Maker" Click Here - https://youtu.be/29lxnsqOkmQ

VERSE 1

You are here moving in our midst I worship You I worship You You are here working in this place I worship You I worship You

CHORUS

Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper Light in the darkness My God, that is who You are

VERSE 2 &3

You are here touching every heart

I worship You I worship You
You are here healing every heart
I worship You I worship You
You are here turning lives around
I worship You I worship You
You are here mending every heart
I worship You yeah I worship You Lord

BRIDGE

Even when I don't see it You're working Even when I don't feel it You're working You never stop You never stop working You never stop You never stop working

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• PRAY (COLOSSIANS 3:1-3)

"You have been raised with Christ"

Am I living in the victory of Christ today? Or am I stuck in some past defeat of my flesh? Pray. Reset.

"Set your hearts on things above"

What is my heart chasing after? What most captivates my desires? Am I ready to turn everything over to Christ, that God would become my greatest desire again? Pray. Reset.

When you think about "things above," what comes to mind? Meditate on the realities of heaven, the reality of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Let your heart delight once again in the Hope of Glory and the beauty of God.

"Where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God"

Have I allowed Jesus to be on the throne in my life and my world? What threatens to supersede His Lordship in my heart? Fear of current events and circumstances? False comfort and security? Self-sufficiency and control? Relinquish anything that stands in the way of His rightful place. Be comforted and strengthened in the truth that He is Lord over all. Pray. Reset.

"Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things"

What "things" have my attention? Instead of forcing myself to try and think differently, take time instead to lift these things to God in prayer. Pray for yourself, pray for your needs, pray for your family, pray for our church, pray for our community, pray for the pandemic of COVID-19 and the pandemic of racism and hatred. Pray for God's Kingdom to come. Reset.

"For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God."

Is there a part of my heart, a thought, a situation, or anything else I need to take to the Cross of Christ to let die that I might be raised to new life? Have I surrendered the totality of my life to Him? Meditate on the reality of your life hidden with Christ in God, the gift of eternal life, the coming of the New Creation when all will be remade and we will share in glorious bodies like His. Pray. Reset.

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SONG

"Be Thou My Vision" Click here - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Optrm7IF16s

VERSE 1

Be Thou my vision
O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me
Save that Thou art
Thou my best thought
By day or by night
Waking or sleeping
Thy presence my light

VERSE 2

Be Thou my wisdom
Be Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father
I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling
And I with Thee one

VERSE 3

Be Thou my shield And my sword for the fight Be Thou my dignity Be Thou my might Thou my soul's shelter And Thou my high tower Raise Thou me heavenward O power of my power

VERSE 4

Riches I heed not
Nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance
Now and always
Thou and Thou only
Be first in my heart
High King of heaven
My treasure Thou art

VERSE 5

High King of heaven
When victory is won
May I reach heaven's joys
O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart
Whatever befall
Still be my vision
O Ruler of all

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CLOSING

Jesus, we give everyone and everything to you now. We give everyone and everything to you. Set us free and renew us for this season. Let the supernatural power of your grace reset our hearts on things above and reset our minds on things above that we may live, each and every day, for your Kingdom. We rejoice in you, we delight in you, we surrender to you, we live for you. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, amen.