

**Jesus—Nothing More, Nothing Less
Christ is All
Colossians 3:11
Sermon Notes for Oct. 18, 2020**

3 Questions to ask of Colossians 3:11:

1. Where is H _____ ?

2. What is N _____ to E _____ Here?

3. What will Make the D _____ ?

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Discussion/Study Guide for Colossians 3:11**

We hope this guide will help you go deeper into God's Word and spur you on in obedience to what God is teaching us today. Please feel free to use all or part of it for your group discussion or personal study.

- Read Colossians 3:1-11. How do these verses address both our individual and corporate relationships? How is sin damaging to us as individuals and as a church?
- How does the context surrounding verse 11 help us understand where "Here" (ESV) is? What is the focus in verse 10? What is the focus in verse 12?
- What does Paul say should not exist in the "Here?" Why do you think he chose these different categories of people? (Use the notes in a Study Bible or research online or in a commentary to understand who were barbarians and Scythians.)
- How do these categories relate to us today? Where do you see racial divisions in the Church today? Are there secondary religious divisions that exist in our community? Where do you see different cultural backgrounds, language differences, socio-economic status creating walls between individuals or in churches today?
- According to Paul what will make the difference? Read Ephesians 2:13-22. How do these verses explain what will make the difference?
- What does it mean for Christ to be "all"?
- What does it mean for Christ to be "in all"?
- How should these two facts change the way we look at our brothers and sisters in Christ?
- Look up and read 2 Corinthians 5:16-17. What do these verses tell us about the way we should perceive and treat those who are in Christ?

Take some time and reflect on your own heart and on our church's community. Confess any sins that might create division in your heart or in our church with others who are "in Christ." (Racism, pride, anger, resentment, prejudicial attitudes, etc.) Close by reading Colossians 3:12-17 and choose one or two character traits that you will display to someone who is different from you this week.