

**A New Man (Creature)**  
**Colossians 3:1-3**  
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Thesis: I want to show how a new Creature, and man in Christ should look at sin.

Intro:

1. Christian face sin over and over throughout their lives.
2. The song we often sing, A New Creature, is a reminder of how the Christian should respond to sin.

I. Dead to the old life of folly & sin

- A. Verse 1a “Buried with Christ, my blessed Redeemer, Dead to the old life of folly and sin”
  1. The Christian is buried with Christ in baptism (**Rom 6:4-6**).
  2. We are dead in Christ, that is dead to the old life of “folly and sin” (**Col 3:3**).
- B. Verse 1b “Satan may call, the world may entreat me, there is no voice that answers within”
  1. Slaves of righteousness do not hear the voice of sin when Satan calls (**Rom 6:19**).
  2. Christians put to death the passions and desires of the flesh (**Gal 5:24**).

II. Risen with Him from the gloom and the grave

- A. Verse 2a “Dead unto sin alive through the Spirit, Risen with Him from the gloom of the grave”
  1. If we die with Christ, giving our lives over to Him. We will then also live with Him (**2 Tim 2:11**).
  2. When we are in Christ we are a new creation, and we will not see the “gloom of the grave”. (**2 Cor 5:17**)
- B. Verse 2b “All things are new, and I am rejoicing in His great love, His power to save”
  1. Christians should rejoice in the love they now have in Christ, and in His power & willingness to save man.
  2. **1 Pt 2:24** – reminds us of the love that Christ & God has for mankind.

III. Sin hath no more its cruel dominion

- A. Verse 3a – “Sin has no more its cruel dominion, walking “in newness of life,”
  1. When we die in Christ and rise a new person in Him, we are then freed from sin (**Rom 6:7,11**).
  2. **Gal 2:20** - we no longer live, instead Christ lives in us, we live for Him.
- B. Verse 3b – “I am free-Glorious life of Christ, my Redeemer, which He so richly shareth with me.”
  1. We are free in Christ through obedience to the gospel (**Rom 6:22**).
  2. Christ sets us free by following His laws today (**Rom 8:2**).

Conc:

1. Man must truly be dead to sin, before they can be alive again in Christ.
2. Only then, will the Christian gain heaven as their home.
  - a. The Christian must strive to be able to hear the temptation of sin and choose not to answer.

### **Hear**

Romans 10:17

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

### **Believe**

John 3:16

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever + in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

### **Repent**

Luke 13:3

I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.

### **Confess**

Rom 10:9 — Rom 10:10

that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

### **Be baptized**

Acts 2:38

Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 22:16

And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.'

### **Remain Faithful**

Revelation 2:10

Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.