

WHEN WE ARE CENTERED IN THE PERSON OF CHRIST...

...We Have a New Focus - Col 3:1; Heb 3:1

- Christ is the subject, all else is predicate - Phil 3:1-8; Ga 2:20; Jo 17:3

- We focus on the center, not the boundaries - Col 1:18

...He is the Christian Life - Col 3:4

...He is the Life of the Church - Acts 1:1; 9:4

- When living means Christ, we abide in Him - Jo 15:1-9

...We Have a New Language/Conversation

- We move from "How can I?" to "Who Can?" - Phil 1:6; 2:13; Ro 7:24

- We move from followship to fellowship - Phil 2:1; I Jo 1:4

...followship presupposes distance and ability

...fellowship is about sharing life in common

- We move from trying to trusting - Ga 2:20

- When living means Christ, we focus on His adequacy - II Cor 3:5-6

...We Have a New Identity

- We are named by God - I Jo 3:1; Heb 2:11; Is 62:3-5

- We received this identity through death and resurrection - Ro 6:1-11

...Once I was \_\_\_\_\_, now I am \_\_\_\_\_ - Col 3:1-4

- When living means Christ, we are becoming what we already are - Eph 4:15

...We Have a new Radicalness

- We are radically sacrificial - Phil 2:3-8, 17-21, 30; 3:7-8

- We are on the way of sacrificial love - Ro 12:1

...more concerned with the interests of others than our own - Phil 2:20-21

- When living means Christ, we get to be to others what Jesus is to us - Phil 2:3-4,7