

ON THINGS ABOVE

Becoming Spiritually Alive

COLOSSIANS 1:19-22



COLOSSIANS 1:19-22

For God in all his fullness
was pleased to live in Christ,
and through him God reconciled
everything to himself.

He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth
by means of Christ's blood on the cross.



COLOSSIANS 1:19-22

This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions.

Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault.



COLOSSIANS 2:11-13



COLOSSIANS 2:11-13

When you came to Christ, you were “circumcised,” but not by a physical procedure. Christ performed a spiritual circumcision—the cutting away of your sinful nature. For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead.



COLOSSIANS 2:11-13

You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins.



**“YOU WERE DEAD....
THEN GOD MADE YOU ALIVE”**

COLOSSIANS 2:11-13

You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins.



MATTHEW 8:19-22

Then one of the teachers of religious law said to him,
“Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go.”

But Jesus replied, “Foxes have dens to live in, and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place even to lay his head.”



MATTHEW 8:19-22

Another of his disciples said, “Lord, first let me return home and bury my father.”

But Jesus told him, “Follow me now. Let the spiritually dead bury their own dead.”



νεκρός NEKROS

“Follow me now.

Let the spiritually dead bury their own dead.”



MATTHEW 9:10-12

Later, Matthew invited Jesus and his disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners.

But when the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with such scum?”



MATTHEW 9:10-12

When Jesus heard this, he said, “Healthy people don’t need a doctor—sick people do.”



MATTHEW 10:38-39

If you refuse to take up your cross and follow me, you are not worthy of being mine. If you cling to your life, you will lose it; but if you give up your life for me, you will find it.

