



## YOU HAVE BEEN RAISED

### Getting to know each other:

What's one thing you can celebrate that happened this week? Share with the group. After sharing, take a second to pause, pray together, and give thanks for the good gifts God has given us.

### Read Colossians 3:1-4.

1. What does Paul mean when saying, "You have been raised with Christ?" What is he referring to? How does he explain it in the passage? How does this apply to our lives?
2. Pastor David talked about the tension of living physically in one place and spiritually in another. Do you feel that tension of living on earth, but ultimately being spiritually with Jesus in Heaven? If so, where do you feel it strongest? If not, why don't you think you feel it?
3. What does it mean when Colossians 3:1 says Christ is seated at the right hand of God? What is the significance of Jesus being at the right hand of God?
4. Paul says in Colossians 3:2 "Set your mind on things above, not on earthly things." What does that look like in practice, particularly for you? What do you think you might need to reset in order to set your heart and mind on things above? What do you think might happen if you did it?
5. At the end of the message, we talked about the story of Jacob and the realization Jacob had that God was there with him and he didn't even know it. Have you ever had an experience with God like that?
6. Pastor David encouraged us to realize that God's always present to us, and spiritual awakening is often us choosing to be present to Him. Is there a place where you need to have faith that God is present with you right now? What does that look like?
7. What specifically would be your next step(s) as you set your heart and mind on things above?

### Next Steps 2023

- What are some of your next steps in faith for 2023? Share any updates with your group.
- When you complete your next step using the QR code below.

### Prayer

- Share praises and prayer requests with one another.
- Guided prayer: God, if we truly are raised with Christ, lead us to a greater awareness of spiritual life here on earth. Excite us to see possibility. Anchor us to accept the challenges that come. Challenge us to reset our hearts and minds so that we truly are focused on you.

