Heavenly Minded for Earthly Good Colossians 3:1-4 See the world through Christ!

Memory Verse:

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."

Colossians 3:16-17 ESV

Study Questions

"Aim at Heaven and you will get earth "thrown in": aim at earth and you will get neither." CS Lewis

Why is being heavenly minded a good thing for God's glory, your joy, and the growth of His Kingdom?

Read Philippians 4:8-9. Why should you focus on making yourself think about these things?

"The joy of the Lord will arm us against the assaults of our spiritual enemies and put our mouths out of taste for those pleasures with which the tempter baits his hooks." Matthew Henry

How does focusing on the good the Lord gives (and other goods) an effective way to fight temptation?

Hope is "...the power of soul in times of great stress and anxiety not just to endure the evil day, but to be joyful and to fill our lives with the fruits of righteousness." John Piper

Why is hope the most effective means for becoming healthy? What are some means we talked about developing hope?

"Earth's crammed with heaven,
And every common bush afire with God,
But only he who sees takes off his shoes;
The rest sit round and pluck blackberries."
Elizabeth Barrett Browning

How do we get 'eyes to see' to see every common bush afire with God?