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Colossians

## **The Mind Set**

### **Colossians 3:1-4**

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Christian –

Because you are no longer the person you once were,  
you can no longer *think* the way you once thought.

1. THE CAUSE OF A NEW MIND SET - UNION WITH JESUS –  
“you are no longer the person you once were” = “*with Christ*”
2. THE DUTY OF A NEW MIND SET – “You can no longer think  
the way you once thought” = “*keep seeking the things above*”  
“*set your mind on the things above*”

Application: Cultivating new thought habits = *Intentionally think  
through a “God lens.”*

*It is a remarkable feature of human nature that we possess the power of the mind – the capacity to choose what our thoughts focus on. It is a tragic feature of human nature – even Christian human nature – that so few people realize they possess this capacity. We are not helpless victims of our thoughts. God clearly commands that we – with His help – can direct our thoughts.*