## Savior Supreme Raised with Christ Colossians 3:1-4

Apart from Christ we are dead in our sin and labeled rebels against God, a label that keeps us from fellowship with him and in fact draws his ire in the form of his wrath. The truth of the gospel is that through the finished work of Christ and his cross we receive salvation, not by philosophy and worldview or legalism and religion, but by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone.

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There will be a day when the complete glory of Christ will shine. Right now it is a shadow, dimly seen as in a mirror. But there will come a day when Christ returns. All who will be saved, will be saved. The gospel will have gone out into the far reaches of the earth. On that day, we will have only one plea—the blood of Christ.

## Reflection

Have you been raised with Christ? Have you been justified by His finished work on the cross? Are you setting your mind on things above? What stirs your affections for Jesus. What robs you of your affections for Jesus? Are you trying to maintain your status in the covenant through your good works, or are your good works the result of your love for Christ and a desire to live for Him and for His glory? What will be your plea when Christ comes in His glory? Will you stand on your own merit and be crushed under the weight of your sin or will you stand in the righteousness of Christ and hear Him advocate on your behalf?