



ORIENTATED TO CHRIST
Living a Life focussed on Jesus.

STUDY GUIDE FOR JUNE 22nd

1. Read Colossians 3:1-4. Try reading it together out loud, twice.

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Talk about what it means to 'set our hearts on things above' and how we might do that.

2. David mentioned 3 ways forward, all dependent on using our God-given map – the Bible and our God-sent compass – the Holy Spirit as we orientate towards our final Trig. Point ie Jesus. In what ways do we, can we or should we, use these essential tools?

a. Recalibrate – make sure our focus is still remaining on Jesus. Talk about times you have been helped to do that and what might help us in today's world to keep heading in the right direction.

b. Recognise the Noise – How might or does digital noise affect us? Are there ways we might be able to shut that noise out? The noise coming from the idol of busyness. Is that a problem for us? How can we stop that happening to us? The noise from the pull of possessions. Are there ways we get distracted by materialism? The noise from the grip of fear. What in today's world causes us to be afraid and lose out focus?

c. Return - to the call of Jesus. How often do we, might we or should we take time each day to focus on Jesus and the things he might have called us to do today?

3. Discuss ways in which we might help each other to reorientate our lives towards Jesus, 'seeking things above'.

4. We have been given a responsibility to tell outsiders about Jesus and what he had done for them. How can we help others to reorient their lives to Jesus – as individuals and as a church?