



*Week 2: Killing the zombie*

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† Killing the zombie

† Show no mercy!

*Colossians 3:5a, 7-8a; Titus 3:3*

† The great brokenness of sin

*Colossians 3:5b,8*

† The wrath of God

*Colossians 3:6*

† A change of clothes  
*Colossians 3:9-10*

† No division  
*Colossians 3:11*

### ***Questions for reflection and discussion***

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- In your own words, describe Pastor Ethan's analogy of 'killing the zombie.' Who is the zombie, and why do they need to be killed?
- Paul uses strong language to describe our response to "the life we once lived." What does it look like- in your own story- to "put to death" and "rid yourself" of "whatever belongs to your earthly nature?"
- What does Paul mean by 'your earthly nature?' How might this concept be misinterpreted into legalistic thinking? Why is the 'your' so important?
- What is the underlying commonality of all the sins and brokenness Paul describes? What root do these all share?
- What does it look like- in the practical reality of daily life- to 'take off our old self?' Note this statement in verses 9-10 is in the 'completed' tense. How is this 'change of clothes' both something we've already done and something we do every day?
- In verse 11 Paul describes how a Christ centered life- and community- will dismantle the divisions so common in society. What are divisions we experience in our life, and how will Christ work through us to make these obsolete?
- If 'Christ is in all' (see also Col 1:15-20), how does this impact the way we relate to other people, especially those with whom we may naturally experience division and separation?

*Next Sunday: Colossians Part 4, Week 2: Killing the zombie- Colossians 3:5-9*

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