

**3 STRATEGIES TO WIN
STAY CONNECTED**

Colossians 2:6-7

**STOP BELIEVING
THE LIES**

STAY IN THE WORD

START *GOING* TO
CHURCH

GOD'S PRESENCE...

GOD'S POWER...

WATER BAPTISM...

STAY CONNECTED

**HOW DO YOU TAP
INTO THE PRESENCE
AND POWER OF GOD?**

YOU MUST BE
PLANTED
IN A CHURCH!

**3 THINGS YOU MUST
BE CONNECTED TO**

1. STAY CONNECTED TO
CHRIST... COL. 2:11-15

COL. 2:11-15 Entering into
this fullness is not
something you figure out or
achieve. It's not a matter of
being circumcised or
keeping a long list of laws.

COL. 2:11-15 No, you're
already in—insiders—not
through some secretive
initiation rite but rather
through what Christ has
already gone through for you,
destroying the power of sin.

COL. 2:11-15 If it's an
initiation ritual you're after,
you've already been
through it by submitting
to baptism.

COL. 2:11-15 Going under
the water was a burial of
your old life; coming up out
of it was a resurrection, God
raising you from the dead
as he did Christ.

COL. 2:11-15 When you were stuck in your old sin-dead life, you were incapable of responding to God. God brought you alive—right along with Christ!

COL. 2:11-15 Think of it! All
sins forgiven, the slate
wiped clean, that old arrest
warrant canceled and nailed
to Christ's cross.

COL. 2:11-15 He stripped all
the spiritual tyrants in the
universe of their sham
authority at the Cross and
marched them naked
through the streets.

2. STAY CONNECTED TO
CHURCH... COL. 3:5-8

COL. 3:5-8 And that means
killing off
everything connected with
that way of death:

COL. 3:5-8 sexual
promiscuity, impurity, lust,
doing whatever you feel like
whenever you feel like it,
and grabbing whatever
attracts your fancy.

COL. 3:5-8 That's a life
shaped by things and
feelings instead of by god.
It's because of this kind of
thing that God is about to
explode in anger.

COL. 3:5-8 It wasn't long ago that you were doing all that stuff and not knowing any better. but you know better now, so make sure it's all gone for good: bad temper, irritability, meanness, profanity, dirty talk.

ONCE CHRIST IS

IN YOU...

YOU ARE IN CHRIST.

3. STAY CONNECTED TO
COMMUNITY... COL. 2:6-7

COL. 2:6-7 My counsel for
you is simple and
straightforward: Just go
ahead with what you've
been given. You received
Christ Jesus, the Master;
now *live* him.

COL. 2:6-7 You're deeply rooted in him. You're well constructed upon him. You know your way around the faith. Now do what you've been taught.

COL. 2:6-7 School's out; quit studying the subject and start *living* it! And let your living spill over into thanksgiving.

CLOSING...

Worship Team

