

Warnings from Heaven: Warfare in the Spirit

For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.
Romans 8:13 (NIV)

❖ **What controls you?** (Romans 6:16; 20-22; 8:9,12; James 4:4; John 8:24, 36)

❖ **The choice is between death or Life—Sin or Righteousness** (Romans 6:8; 8:10-11)

❖ **Fight to the death!** (Romans 8:3-14; Galatians 5:24; 2 Corinthians 10:5; Ephesians 6:10-19; Colossians 3:1-10)

- Put to death (Colossians 3:5)
- Put away (Colossians 3:8)
- Put off (Colossians 3:9)
- Put on (Colossians 3:10)

Colossians 3:1-10 (ESV)

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. ⁵**Put to death** therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must **put** them all **away**: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have **put off** the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have **put on** the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.