

## **WHAT IS LICENSE? Pt.3** **(Colossians 3:8-17)**

The definition of license is a wrong \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ which perverts the grace of God in falsely assuming that God's grace and freedom from the Law is a \_\_\_\_\_. (Jude 1:4; Romans 6:1, 15) Unlike license, a true understanding and application of God's grace results in a \_\_\_\_\_ life that denies ungodliness and worldly lusts, but involves an ongoing walk of \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ via the WOG and humble service to others in \_\_\_\_\_, while looking for the blessed \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ's imminent return. (2 Peter 2:18-22; Col.3:1-17; Galatians 5:13-26; Titus 2:11-14)

### **POSITION VS. CONDITION**

1. **The teaching and application of God's grace stands in contrast to RITUALISTIC LEGALISM (2:16-17), EXPERIENTIAL MYSTICISM (2:18-19), PERSONAL ACETICISM (2:20-23), as well as SINFUL LICENSE (3:5ff).**
2. **The teaching and application of God's grace, in contrast to sinful license, exhorts you to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ realities and to \_\_\_\_\_ in light of your *new position, identity, security, and future glory in Christ.* (3:1-4)**
3. **The teaching and application of God's grace, in contrast to sinful license, exhorts you to now take responsibility to \_\_\_\_\_ personal \_\_\_\_\_ of *perverted love* in your life since you died with Christ in regards to sin & the world. (3:5)**
4. **The teaching and application of God's grace, in contrast to sinful license, never excuses, downplays, or justifies personal sins but recognizes their \_\_\_\_\_ as they bring God's future \_\_\_\_\_ upon the \_\_\_\_\_, while also reminding you to *not forget our own past practice and present possibilities.* (3:6-7)**
5. **The teaching and application of God's grace, in contrast to sinful license, exhorts you in light of your heavenly position / identity with Christ to take responsibility to \_\_\_\_\_ such sins regarding *personal relationships* as (3:8-10):**
  - a. *anger* -
  - b. *wrath* -
  - c. *malice* -
  - d. *blasphemy* -
  - e. *filthy language out of your mouth* -
  - f. *Do not lie to one another* -

- Why is this to be done in your life? (3:9 -10a)
- What do you as a new man in Christ now daily need? (3:10b)
- How does this renewal and understanding of church-age positional truth impact how you view others? (3:11) Colossians 3:11 - *where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.*

**6. The teaching and application of God's grace, in contrast to sinful license, exhorts you in light of your heavenly position / identity with Christ as \_\_\_\_\_ to take responsibility to \_\_\_\_\_ the *attitudes* of (3:12) ...**

- tender mercies* –
- kindness* –
- humility* –
- meekness* –
- longsuffering* -

**along with putting on the *actions* of (3:13-14) ...**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **with one another** –
- \_\_\_\_\_ **one another** –

- Why should you do this?
- What is the over-riding quality or necessity of our lives in light of our position / identity with Christ and what does it accomplish? (3:14)

**7. The teaching and application of God's grace, in contrast to sinful license, exhorts you in light of your heavenly position / identity with Christ to ...**

- let the \_\_\_\_\_ **in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; (3:15a)**
- and \_\_\_\_\_. **(3:15b)**
- Let the \_\_\_\_\_ **in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.**
- And whatever you do in word or deed, \_\_\_\_\_ **in the name of the Lord Jesus, \_\_\_\_\_ to God the Father through Him.**