"Raised to Kill" Colossians 3:5-8, Pt. 2

I. From Col. 3:5-8, Pt 1:

- A. We identified the sins of sensuality (3:5) and hostility (3:8). We saw that believers are commanded to *kill* such sins.
- B. The reason to kill such sins is because they resemble the "sons of disobedience", who will be judged. (3:6-7)

II. The Multifaceted Approach to Killing Sin:

- A. Repentant Confession
 - 1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- B. "Watch and pray"
 - **Matthew 26:41** "Keep watching and praying that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."
- C. Starve and abandon sin, i.e. flee temptation.
 - Genesis 39:12 She caught him by his garment, saying, "Lie with me!" And he left his garment in her hand and fled, and went outside. (See also Prov. 7:8)
- D. Seek the help of others.
 - **Hebrews 3:13** But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is still called "Today," so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.
- E. Put on the "new self".
 - **Ephesians 4:28** He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have something to share with one who has need.
- F. Remember that old you is dead; a new you was raised with Christ (Rom. 6).
 - Romans 7:17 As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but sin living in me.
 - Romans 6:12–13 ¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. ¹³ Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness.