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We seek what we love. If we love money, we will seek to acquire treasures on earth. How we need to pursue heavenly riches! Christ should be the One we love more than anyone or anything else, and thus we should seek after His interests. We are also to set our minds on the things which are above. We are citizens of heaven (*Phil. 3:20*), living on earth as Christ’s ambassadors (*2 Cor. 5:20*), thinking thoughts that are worthy of our citizenship.

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A heavenly mind is vital for a heavenly life. We were once totally bound to this earth. We cared nothing for the things of eternal worth. Our minds were totally on mundane, sinful, and temporal things. May God be ever thanked that we have died to our old life (*Col. 3:3*)!

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