

JOHNNY CASH & OLIVER WENDALL HOLMES, SR?



'Since then you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.'

Colossians 3:1

We celebrate 'Ascension Sunday' this weekend. It is truly a joyous occasion where, as we sing 'All Hail the Power of Jesus Name' to ascribe glory to the One who is exalted over all things!

That is pretty heady stuff. As well it should be.

Did you know that the country superstar Johnny Cash and the iconic Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendall Holmes have something in common? Although a century apart, it seems that unknowingly expanded on a popular barb directed at

believers: ***Some Christians are so heavenly minded they are no earthly good.***

Although a fan, I was not familiar the Nashville legend's song *No Earthly Good* and its lyrics:

**Come hear me, good brothers, come heed one and all:
Don't brag about standing or you'll surely fall.
You're shining your light, yes, and shine it you should—
But you're so heavenly-minded, you're no earthly good**

Ouch. Touché. And busted!

How does the Ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ apply to the 'things on earth.' Is it simply a dry doctrine on which professional theologians puff their pipes? Take a serious look at the WHOLE chapter of Colossians 3. It starts with the ascension and then gets very specific. Uncomfortable so.

The task before us even as we ascribe '*all power, and strength and riches and glory*' to our reigning Savior (Revelation 5:12) will also be to take dead aim living the specifics. The message title is **Heavenly Minded AND Earthly Good.**

Also, for our MINISTRY MOMENT we will be honored to have two folks from Mission Beth-El present to receive the BRPC 2026 Easter Offering. Yay!

See you this Lord's Day.

Pastor Chuck

THIS WEEK'S BULLETIN BELOW

ASCENSION SUNDAY



God has raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand...far above all rule and authority, power and dominion in this age or the age to come.

Ephesians 1:20, 21



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