



## “Put On the New”

Colossians 3:12-14

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Questions for Application and Fellowship

### MY STORY

1. How do you go about preparing your clothing each day? Do you select and press them the night before? Do you throw on the first thing you pull out of the drawer in the morning?

### QUICK REVIEW

Having expressed his gratitude for the Colossian church, and having presented a clear picture of the supremacy and sufficiency of Christ (chapter 1), Paul explicitly warns the Colossians against a heresy spreading in their city (chapter 2). Moving forward, Paul exhorts the church about the new life and Kingdom lifestyle that union with Christ leads to. Coming to Christ, believers have “put off” the old and “put on” the new. As a kingdom community, we are to clothes ourselves in Christ-like character.

Was any point in this weekend’s message or portion of Scripture particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

## DIGGING DEEPER

1. The church is the chosen people of God, holy and dearly loved. Each follower of Jesus is chosen by God, and on that basis, they come to faith in Christ. How do you respond to this truth? How does Ephesians 1:3-14 exemplify the praise that flows from a deep understanding of this?
2. Verse 12 lays out five qualities of Christ-like character. Which is the greatest struggle for you to “put on” and “keep on” each day? Where do you need prayer?
3. What’s the difference between bearing with someone and forgiving someone? Where do you need to practice either of those now?
4. What significance is found in Paul’s use the word “grievance” or “complaint” in verse 13? Are all complaints between Christians rooted in a sin or iniquity? Is it possible what we get bent out of shape by something we can look past? How have you seen this or done this? What’s the right response?
5. The qualities of verse 12 may be looked down upon in a world of power and ambition. Do you view these qualities as those of weakness? How do these passages teach you the way of the Kingdom?

Matthew 11:28-30

Mark 10:35-45

Philippians 2:1-11