

CHRIST BE MAGNIFIED

In Turning Towards

Colossians 3:12-17
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Opening Thought Questions:

Seeking to magnify Christ in both our collective and individual lives, what is the clothing, needing to be put on, that most accurately and compellingly reflects his character?

(3:1-11) Refresh Two Groups of "Ill-fitted" clothing

- 1) Physical or sexual sins...
 - I
- 2) Social or conversational sins...
 - A

(12-13) As God's chosen...

New Clothing for New Creation

- C
- K
- H
- G
- P
- F
- F

(14-15) Put on love...

Connection to Ephesians 5-6:9

5:1-5 - L

5:6-14 - W

5:15-21 - F

5:22-6:9 - E

What is the peace of Christ?

(16-17) And be thankful.

Those individuals and congregations who are wearing the robes of Christ will overflow with...

Further Study

Ephesians
Acts 21-28

Col. 3:1-11

Ephesians 5-6
Eph. 6:10-13
Eph. 5:1-6:9

Rom. 5:1
Eph. 2:14-16
Jn. 14:27
Gal. 5:22-23
Php. 4:7

Next Week: Colossians 3:18-4:1 Christ be Magnified: "In Service"

<p style="text-align: center;">CHRIST BE MAGNIFIED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">In Turning Towards</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Next Steps: Home-Group Study and/or Personal Discipleship Guide</p>	<p>Col. 3:12-17</p>
<p>Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!</p> <p>Start with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide our time together. Review prayer requests.</p> <p><u>Read the Text</u> – Colossians 3:12-17</p> <p><u>Questions for Reflection and Discussion:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Take some time to journal or discuss why Paul might begin this section of his letter by reminding the house churches Colossae that they are God’s chosen, holy, and dearly loved. 2. What are the articles of clothing that Paul notes as the most fitting for the Christian community to wear? (vss. 12-14) 3. When followers of Jesus are wearing these articles of clothing, what qualities or flavors come to be seen or tasted in our lives? (vss. 15-17) 4. How are these descriptions an accurate and compelling reflection of Jesus to those in our lives who already know him, but also to those in our lives who do not yet know him? 5. Reflect on each of the articles of clothing described by Paul, then compare them with the fruit of the Spirit in Galatians 5:22-26, and the armor of God in Ephesians 6:10-18. How are they similar? What is the broader lesson that Paul is trying to communicate to the church through all three passages? <p><u>Questions guiding Spiritual Formation & Application:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does this text invite us to grow in a greater love for God? 2. What lessons within this text move us towards growing in our love for one another? 3. What principles could be applied to our family life, careers, communities, or congregational life? 4. Consider how Jesus could use our application of the principles in this text to draw those that do not know him, unto himself? 5. Who is currently in our lives that needs an invitation to meet Jesus or be part of a kind and gracious Christian community? 	<p><u>Further Study</u></p> <p>Ephesians Acts 21-28 Col. 3:1-11 Ephesians 5-6 Eph. 6:10-13 Eph. 5:1-6:9 Rom. 5:1 Eph. 2:14-16 Jn. 14:27 Gal. 5:22-23 Php. 4:7</p> <p><u>Prayer Requests</u></p> <p>Family</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Career & Friends</p> <p>Other</p>