

THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS #12 Dress for Success Colossians 3:12-17

Colossians 3:11-17 (NIV)¹¹ Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all. ¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. ¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

3 Things Paul Says Are True If You Are In Christ:

1. You are CHOSEN

- 2. You are HOLY
- 3. You are LOVED
- 7 Attitude/Action Paul Says To Put On:
- 1. COMPASSION
- 2. KINDNESS
- 3. HUMILITY

Romans 12:3 (NIV) ³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: **Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought**, but rather think of

yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.

- 4. GENTLENESS
- 5. PATIENCE
- 6. FORGIVENESS
- 7. <u>LOVE</u>
 - > All 7 of these character traits can only be used with OTHERS
 - All 7 of these character traits can only <u>DEVELOPED</u> with <u>OTHERS</u> up close!

3 Outcomes That Will Be In Our Lives When We Hear These Things:

#1 – We'll be more <u>PEACEFULL</u>

#2 – We'll be more <u>THANKFUL</u>

#3 We'll be more **WORSHIPFUL**

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2 Suggestions If You're Serious About This!

- 1. ASK GOD to help you be more like the trait you want to be
- 2. Put yourself in situations where <u>YOU WILL STRUGGLE TO BE THAT</u> WAY