

Midweek Bible Study

The Gospel Has a Dress Code, Part 1 | 6/17/2020

Recap: One people of God, united with Christ

Christians Live Out a New Reality

- Put on then (NAS: “So, as those...”; NIV “therefore, as God’s...”)
 - Colossians 3:10
- “Put on” (ESV, NAS) “clothe yourselves” (NIV, NET)
- Our new qualities flow from our union w/Christ

Clothe Yourself with Five Virtues

In contrast to the five vices, Colossians 3:8

Put on Compassionate hearts

- Compassion: display of concern over another’s misfortune (BDAG)
 - Pity, mercy
- Is compassion true of God?
 - James 5:11; Exodus 22:27; Isaiah 55:6–7
 - God had compassion on us, even in our sin!
- How is compassion needed within the church?

Put On Kindness

- Is kindness true of God?
 - Psalm 25:7; Romans 2:4
- How is kindness needed within the church?

Summary: The people of Christ put on the clothes that their Savior wears

Application

1. What sinful characteristics do you most need to “put off” with respect to fellow Christians? Make these characteristics a matter of prayer and repentance.
2. How have you needed God’s compassion? How can you show similar compassion to fellow Christians?
3. How have you needed God’s kindness? How can you show similar kindness to fellow Christians?

