



Sing Psalms, hymns and spiritual songs.

Whatever I do, do everything in the name of Jesus.

Colossians 3:12-17 - How Does Jesus Change The Way I Treat People?

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Conclusion

Digging Deeper Sermon Study

1. **Read Colossians 3:1-2.** As God's chosen, holy and loved ones, since we belong to the most elite, exclusive and blessed people in the world, how is it possible to not become arrogant?
2. Consider the examples of Christian character in Colossians 3:12-13. At CrossWinds, many of us fall short in manifesting those qualities. How might the peace of Christ (Colossians 3:20) change things if it had a greater influence in our church family?
3. **Read Colossians 3:12.** Which of these Christian character qualities is hardest for you? Why?
4. **Read Colossians 3:16.** Paul says it is important to let the word of Christ fill us. What does Paul give as a plan to let the word of Christ fill us? What part of his plan is most beneficial for you?
5. **Read Colossians 3:13-15.** Paul instructs Christians on the way Christ changes interpersonal conflicts. What does it mean to bear with one another? What does it mean to have the peace of Christ rule in our heart?
6. Which of the ways Jesus changes our conflicts is hardest for you?

1. Who am I?

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,..., Colossians 3:12 (ESV)

I am chosen by God.

...he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love Ephesians 1:4 (ESV)

I am holy for God

I am loved by God.

even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, Ephesians 1:4-5 (ESV)

2. How does Jesus change my character toward others?

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, Colossians 3:12 (ESV)

Compassionate Hearts

Kindness

Humility

Meekness

Patience

- A. Forgiveness is putting the case in God's hands.
- B. Forgiveness is not the same as trust.
- C. Forgiveness and reconciliation are not the same.
- D. Forgiveness often needs to happen more than once.
- E. Forgiveness frees me from demonic torment.

I love people.

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 1 Corinthians 13:1 (ESV)

I let the peace of Christ rule in my heart.

3. How does Jesus change my conflicts with others?

bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Colossians 3:13-15 (ESV)

I bear with others

I forgive others like Christ forgives me.

I am thankful for people.

How do I cultivate the character of Christ in me?

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:16-17 (ESV)

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