

Clothes Make the Man – Group Discussion Handout

Sermon Title: Above All Put On Love Date: Sunday, November 2, 2025

Key Verse

"But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection."

— Colossians 3:14 (NKJV)

Message Summary

Paul describes love as the *bond of perfection* — like a **ligament** that holds the body together and keeps it moving in unity. Without love, even strong believers or churches fall apart. Love is not a feeling — it's a **choice** to invest yourself in others.

Love connects, aligns, and strengthens the Body of Christ so that the will of the Head (Jesus) can flow freely through it.

Billy Graham said,

"True love is an act of the will – a conscious decision to do what is best for the other person instead of ourselves."

God's love toward us is constant, unchanging, and unconditional.

Andrew Wommack reminds us,

"God loves you. If you could grasp this revelation, it would solve all of your problems. If you understood how much God loved you, your faith would shoot through the roof."

When we know God's love, we can show God's love.

And the more we give love away, the more it grows.

Group Discussion Questions

1. Understanding the Bond

- Read Colossians 3:14 and 1 John 4:7–8.
 Why does Paul describe love as a "bond" or "ligament"?
 What happens in the Church when love is missing?
- Share an example where love restored something that division or offense tried to destroy.

2. Knowing God = Knowing Love

- What does it mean to say, "If you know God, you know love"? (Consider 1 John 4:7–8 and Romans 12:9.)
- How have you personally experienced God's love not just known it, but felt it or seen
 it in your life?

3. Growing in Love

- Read *Philippians 2:13–15* and *1 John 4:12*. How does God grow His love in us?
- In what ways can you intentionally give time and attention to love others especially in your church family?
- What are some practical ways Father's House Church can "grow love" together this month (serving, fellowshipping, outreach, etc.)?

4. When Love Is Missing

- Read *John 17:21* and *1 Corinthians 13:1–3*. What happens when believers try to do ministry without love?
- What does it mean to "have a form of godliness but deny its power"? (See 2 Timothy 3:1–5.)

How does love restore that power?

5. Making Love a Priority

- Love is a decision that requires investment time, attention, and participation. What are some ways we can invest love in one another this week?
- Share a time when you chose love even though it wasn't easy.
 What was the outcome?

Personal Reflection

"Love will not grow unless you make it a priority."

- Where might God be calling you to strengthen your "ligaments" relationships that need healing, connection, or investment?
- What practical step can you take this week to let love hold your family or church together?

Group Confession (Read Together)

"Above all, we put on love. Love holds us together and keeps us in unity."

We choose to love when it's easy and when it's not. We will give our time, our attention, and our hearts to build one another up. Lord, help us love one another as You have loved us. Let love be the bond that keeps Father's House Church strong and full of grace."

Closing Prayer

"Lord, thank You for Your Spirit in us to love, and Your grace upon us to love.

We choose to love today! Protect our church family by helping us love one another as You love us.

Show us where to invest Your love — in time, service, and fellowship — so that love will keep our church flexible, functioning, and free. In Jesus' name, amen."