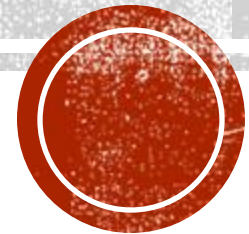


COLOSSIANS: COMPLETE IN CHRIST

CHAPTER 3:14-17 SO, PUT ON!*



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GOOD MORNING!

1. What's something you tried and failed at? What happened? What was missing?



RECAP: PUT ON

Last week we discussed the beginning of Colossians “Put On” passage.

1. I think last week we got as far as patience. Do any of you have any continuation observations from last week?
2. Did any of you have any opportunities to put these into practice?
3. What reasons did you guys come up with for why it is difficult to exercise some of these particular virtues? Specific to you, ideally?



LET'S READ IT: 3:14 — PICKING UP WITH GENTLENESS

Let's pick up where we left off!

14 In addition to all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. 15 Let the peace of Christ, to which you were indeed called in one body, rule in your hearts; and be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. 17 Whatever you do in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.





- The term “Agape” is used here for love. “The noun occurs 116 times across twenty-six New Testament books. It is never used of romantic passion and only rarely of natural affection. Rather, it denotes a holy, self-giving disposition that originates in God, is displayed perfectly in Jesus Christ, and is implanted in believers by the Holy Spirit.”
- Additional references: 1 John 4:19, John 13:34, and John 15:13
- Does anyone else have a favorite Agape verse they’d like to share?
- Aside from Christ’s death, what did he do to show us love, and what is our modern equivalent for our neighbors, co-workers, family, and acquaintances?



- What is harder – big dramatic acts of love or little mundane ones?



- Eiréné - one, peace, quietness, rest.
- Probably from a primary verb eiro (to join); peace (literally or figuratively); by implication, prosperity -- one, peace, quietness, rest, + set at one again. A peace that comes from unity or togetherness, possibly.
- What is the connection between peace and thankfulness?
- What habits do we have that destroy our peace?
- Does anyone have any examples of a peace that comes from God?



- Just like it sounds, you know what word means.
- What does it look like when the word dwells in us...richly?
- What does the rest of the verse show us about how the word should be active in us?
- Why singing? Should we sing more? Who here remembers verses only because they were taught the song?



GIVING THANKS

- What does it mean that whatever we do, do in the name of the Lord Jesus?
- What is a small practical example of doing something in the name of Jesus?