

if/then



colossians chapter three sermon series

We are done putting away. It's time to put on.

We are finally done putting things to death and putting away. We are moving forward. Last week, we discussed all of the “since then” statements that transition us to putting on our new self. This week, we begin to look at “the list”.

Starting in verse 12, we are commanded to put on these things: compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, patience, bearing with one another, forgiveness, love, peace, thankfulness, wisdom, worship, character.

I thought the hard work was over when we finished putting to death and putting away. But, as I am seeing what God expects me to put on, I realize that there is much work yet to be done. When we look at this list, we might think to ourselves “this just isn’t me.” But, that’s not true. God is going to show us that today. I am praying for a great worship service today. I also encourage you to come back tonight for a time of prayer, testimony, hymns, and praise.

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September 21, 2025

TRUNK OR TREAT

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

SIGN UP IN THE FOYER AND CHAPEL!

We are planning a community outreach to families on Halloween night. Beginning at 6 pm we will invite families from our community to bring their children to a safe, fun event that will share the love of Christ to children and parents.

Our goal is to have **15 cars by October 1st**. All that is required is that you decorate your car, hand out candy and tracts, and provide a simple game. It will be held on **Friday, October 31st from 6-8 pm** in the front of the church. Please sign up in the Chapel and Foyer where you can also view several ideas for decorating your car.

Christmas at Callaway Gardens is pretty special. If you add Pine Mountain, Georgia, good food, and a little Bible History— now, you have my full attention. We'll have a short interest meeting for a Christmas Adult Fellowship Bus Trip **TODAY at 11:45 am**



Ardella's Christmas
ADULT FELLOWSHIP BUS TRIP

in the Fellowship Hall. Highlights of the **December 9-12** trip include the *Fantasy in Lights at Callaway Gardens*, a unique dining experience at the Biblical History Center, and time to explore historic downtown Pine Mountain, Georgia. Be on the lookout for more Adult Fellowship Bus Trips coming in 2026.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

5-6 pm in Fellowship Hall

THIS WEEK'S MENU:

SLOPPY JOES, COLE SLAW,
CHIPS, AND DESSERT



\$5 per adult, \$3 per child, or \$15 for family (2 adults + kids)

***sign up in worship center foyer or chapel*

TODAY!

GA BUS TRIP INFO MEETING: 11:45 am– Fellowship Hall

CHOIR: 4:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

CHURCHWIDE PRAYER: 6 pm, Fellowship Hall

MEN'S PRAYER

Tuesdays, 10 am in the Conference Room

A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION WITH CECIL BEACH

Wednesdays, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

MEN'S/ WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm (Men in Room 108-Women in Room 110)

EMBRACE MINISTRY FOR WIDOWS AND SINGLE LADIES

Tuesday 10 am Bible Study in Room 101

WOW - A MINISTRY FOR YOUNG MOMS AND THEIR CHILDREN

Fridays, 9 am -11 am in the Fellowship Hall

NEW! RECONNECT CLASS FOR COLLEGE AGE STUDENTS

Sundays in Room 105 at 10:30 am

WALK FOR LIFE (SAT. NOV. 1ST) - SIGN-UP FOR WALKERS BEGINS

Sunday, September 28th in the Foyer and in the Chapel

EMBRACE MINISTRY SIGN UP FOR THE WAY OF WISDOM BIBLE STUDY -FOYER

Begins, Tuesday, October 14th, 10 am in Room 101





COMING IN OCTOBER...*Ardella Baptist Church is helping to sponsor this new fundraiser for AMSA (Aviation Ministry Support Association) Missionary Pilot Scholarship Fund. Life Groups are encouraged to attend this event to receive discounted tickets. See flyers in the Foyer and Chapel.*
www.whitethornevents.com.

Showtime is **7 PM, on Friday, October 24**, at Victory's North Lakeland Campus.



AWANA has prayed for **Hope for Brazil** for a long time. This year they are launching a fundraiser for this ministry.

Pray that God would use this to spark a love of missions in their hearts.

Financial Stewardship/ Previous Week

Tithes	11,588.44
Missions	515.00
Total	12,103.44

If/then week five

September 21, 2025 Colossians 3:12-13

sermon notes

Put on then.

Inner Reality: **compassionate heart** (12)

Outward Expression: **kindness** (12)

Inner Reality: **humility** (12)

Outward Expression: **meekness** (12)

Inner Reality: **patience** (12)

Outward Expression: **bearing with one another** (13)



reflection

How does the beginning of **Colossians 3:12** motivate me to put on these **inner realities** and **outward expressions**?

Can you list one (real life) example of “each” **inner reality** and **outward expression** we discussed today?

How does God model a **compassionate heart** and **kindness** in these verses?

2 Kings 13:23

Isaiah 54:7-8

2 Chronicles 36:15

Zechariah 12:10

Psalms 78:38

2 Samuel 24:14

How does **2 Corinthians 1:3-7** speak into this list?

How does Paul contrast **genuine humility** with **false humility** in **Colossians 2:18-23**?

What does Paul teach us about **humility** and **meekness** in **2 Corinthians 10:1-2**?

What did we learn about **patience** in **Colossians 1:11**?

How does **2 Peter 3:9** help explain God’s patience?

Which of these **six words** do you struggle with the most?