

Get Dressed 21 Day Devotional — Dress in Patience — Day 19

Colossians 3:12 (TPT)

"You are always and dearly loved by God! So, robe yourself with virtues of God, since you have been divinely chosen to be holy. Be merciful as you endeavor to understand others, and be compassionate, showing kindness toward all. **Be gentle and humble, unoffendable in your patience with others.**"

Introduction:

- Our focus is on the virtue of patience, as emphasized in Colossians 3:12.
- Just as you carefully select your clothes in the morning, let's consider how we can "get dressed" with patience as part of our daily outfit.

Reflection:

- Clothed with Patience:
 - Imagine patience as a coat that you put on.
 - It covers you with a sense of calm and self-control, allowing you to endure life's challenges with grace.
- Our Identity in Christ:
 - The verse reminds us that we are "God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved."
 - Our identity as His children should inspire us to reflect His character.

Application:

- Reflecting God's Patience:
 - Patience with Others:
 - Just as God shows patience with us, we are called to extend it to those we encounter.
 - Take a moment to think about people in your life who may test your patience today.
- Patience with Yourself:
 - Patience isn't only about how you treat others; it also involves how you treat yourself.
 - Be patient with your own mistakes and imperfections.
- Seeking God's Timing:

- Patience often involves waiting for God's timing.
- Instead of rushing, trust that His plans are better than our own.

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the patience You've shown us. As Your chosen people, help us to "get dressed" in patience every day. May our lives reflect the patience that comes from being Your children. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Take A Way

As you go about your day, remember to put on patience as part of your daily outfit. Just as your physical clothes reflects your style, let your spiritual attire reflect your identity as a child of God. In doing so, you will bless those you encounter and honor the One who chose and dearly loves you.