

Putting On (Colossians 3:11-17)

1. What have we seen so far in Colossians about what God has done for us in Christ?

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2. How is God's people, the church, described in verses 11-12? What does it mean for our relationships with one another that "Christ is all and is in all"?
3. If worldly divisions have been abolished in the church (v. 11), why do they still persist? How will the character traits that we 'put on' in verse 12 help us to live out the reality of who we are in Christ?
4. In verses 13-15 we are reminded of three key gifts we have received in Jesus – forgiveness, love, and peace with one another. How should we express this in our church life together?
5. Forgiveness and leaving at peace with one another is easier said than done. Where does the power come from to live like this? What can the process of forgiveness look like?
6. We have a role in teaching and admonishing one another (verse 16). How can we express this better across our church?
7. What does verse 16 teach us about the purpose of singing in church? How does this correct different wrong views of singing? Why do you think Paul focuses on singing here?
8. Pray together that we might continue to put on the clothing that fits our new life in Christ. Ask for God's help in working this out in each part of our church life together.