

Colossians 3:1-17

an outline for this discussion:

Since God chose you to be the holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body, you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful. (Col 3:12-15 NLT)

An Introduction to the Passage

- 1) its place in Kingdom Formation
- 2) a comment on Assurance of Salvation

The Power of Christ Within Us

- 1) setting our hearts and minds
- 2) union with Christ
- 3) glory then and now

The Application of Christ's Power to Root Out the Evil Within Us

- 1) what this is and why it is necessary
- 2) how His power is applied
- 3) some practical insights

The Application of Christ's Power to Dispel the Evil Around Us

- 1) new clothes
- 2) forgiveness
- 3) community

Wrapping it Up

influencers, press secretaries, and ambassadors

For my determined purpose is that I may know Him, that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding the wonders of His person more strongly and more clearly, and that I may in that same way come to know the power outflowing from His resurrection, which it exerts over believers, and that I may so share His sufferings as to be continually transformed in spirit into His likeness even to His death in the hope that if possible I may attain to the spiritual and moral resurrection that lifts me out from among the dead even while in the body. (Phil 3:10-11 Amp)

Some Suggested Reading Material:

James Bryan Smith, [Hidden In Christ, Living as God's Beloved](#), 2013 IVP Books

Rankin Wilbourne, [Union with Christ, The Way to Know and Enjoy God](#), 2016 David C Cook

M Robert Mulholland, [The Deeper Journey, The Spirituality of Discovering Your True Self](#), 2016 IVP Books